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I recently bought an air purifier. My assistants are overjoyed, and I kinda feel good too.

—*Masashi Kishimoto, 2006*

Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.

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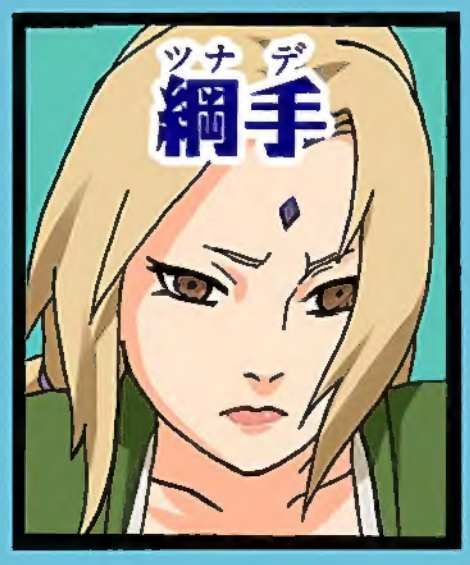

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320: BOUNTIES...!!

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(FIRE TEMPLE)

SO...

WHERE'S CHIRIKU'S BODY?

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UH...

...CAPTAIN ASUMA?

UM...

...ACTUALLY, WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE LORD CHIRIKU'S REMAINS.

.....?

I HATE TO BRING THIS UP, BUT...

WHAT IS IT, IZUMO?

...PROB-ABLY.

PER-HAPS THE AKA-TSUKI ...

LORD CHIRIKU'S HEAD COMMANDS A BOUNTY OF 30 MILLION RYO ON THE BLACK MARKET.

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COLLECTION OFFICE, HUH...

...WHICH MEANS THE ENEMY IS LUGGING AROUND A BODY,

FLIP FLIP

IZUMO... WHERE'S THAT COLLECTION OFFICE?

.....

WHICH ONE? THERE ARE FIVE IN THIS VICINITY ALONE.

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(FLAP FLAP)

WE'LL TAKE THE NEAREST OFFICE...

...WHILE THE OTHER CELLS CHECK OUT THE FARTHER ONES.

(FLUTTER)

!

PLEASE WAIT, LORD ASUMA SARUTOBI.

LET'S GO, THEN.

ALL RIGHT!

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.....

...WHO ARE ABOUT TO ENGAGE IN BATTLE.

PLEASE ALLOW US TO PRAY FOR YOU...

(THUD THUD THUD THUD THUD)

I CUT THE WATERFALL!

I DID IT! I REALLY DID IT!

(BO- BO- BO- BO- BO- BOOF)

GOOD JOB, NARUTO.

FROM HERE ON OUT, WE'LL BE INVENTING A COMPLETELY ORGINAL, NEW JUTSU.

PHEW ...

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HACK

HACK!

UHN...

I'M STARVING...

HE'S OVER-DONE IT...!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

(FIRE TEMPLE)

火寺

AH, NARUTO, YOU NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE.

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THAT WAIST-CLOTH...

.....

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

.....

PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

JUST LIKE CHIRIKU, YOU ALSO ARE...

...FORMER GUARDIAN SHINOBI TWELVE, WITH A BOUNTY ON YOUR HEAD.

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MY HEAD...

.. IS WORTH ANOTHER FIVE MILLION RYO MORE THAN CHIRIKU'S.

OH, PLEASE, DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!

I'M NOT GOING DOWN THAT EASILY!

HUH?

WHERE'S YOUR POSTER GIRL AYAME?

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I'M MATSU!

HI, I'M NISHI!

THESE TWO ARE NEWBIES.

SHE DECIDED TO TAKE A LITTLE TRIP.

(THUNK)

YES!!

HERE YOU GO...

...ONE PORK BONE BROTH MISO-FLAVORED EXTRA PORK ON TOP!

...RAMEN RAMEN RAMEN...

...C'MON C'MON C'MON...

SPLISH

!

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THANK Y...

...WAAAH?

!

WHISK...

FOOL! YOU STUCK YOUR FINGER IN IT!

CLONK!

OWW!

DON'T MAKE SUCH FOOLISH MISTAKES!

SO SORRY!

NISHI!

PREPARE A NEW BOWL! RIGHT AWAY!

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...SO... HUNGRY... MUST... HOLD... ON...

(GRRRUMBLE)

YES, SIR!

RIGHT AWAY, SIR!

(FAP)

SLIP

MORE RAMEN! COMING RIGHT U--

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(WHSSH)

!

(SPLOSH)

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(KRASH)

I SLIPPED!

I SLIPPED MATSU!

HOT!!!

AHHH!

WAAAAAAAH!

SERVES YOU RIGHT FOR NOT MOPPING THE FLOORS PROPERLY!

YOU'RE BOTH USELESS-USELESS!

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JUST 'CUZ THEY HAPPEN...

... DOESN'T MAKE IT AN EXCUSE!!

THESE THINGS HAPPEN A-HA HA.

NOW, NOW, MR. TEUCHI CALM DOWN.

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M-MY RAMEN...

OWW!

ARGH!!

(CREAK)

SHF

THIS WAY, PLEASE.

THE SECRET ENTRANCE IS IN A BATHROOOM? YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!

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THAT'S CHIRIKU, ALL RIGHT...

SURE CAUGHT YOURSELF A BIG FISH THIS TIME MR. KAKUZU.

YEAH...

(SCRAPE)

IT STINKS IN HERE, EH.

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HOLD ON, I HAVE TO COUNT THE MONEY.

HURRY UP SO WE CAN GO KAKAZU.

...I'LL BE OUTSIDE.

MEH! CAN'T TELL WHAT SMELLS WORSE, THE BODIES OR THE URINE. JUST FIND ME WHEN YOU'RE DONE...

(SLURP)

(SLURP)

(SLURP)

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NARUTO... THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO EXPLAIN TO YOU FIRST.

LEMME WOLF THIS DOWN. SHLOOP! THEN IT'S BACK TO TRAINING!

OH, YEAH! SLURRP! THAT'S THE STUFF!

I CAN'T EAT SUCH HEAVY FOODS RIGHT NOW...

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AND I HAVE SOMETHING VERY INTERESTING TO SHOW YOU...

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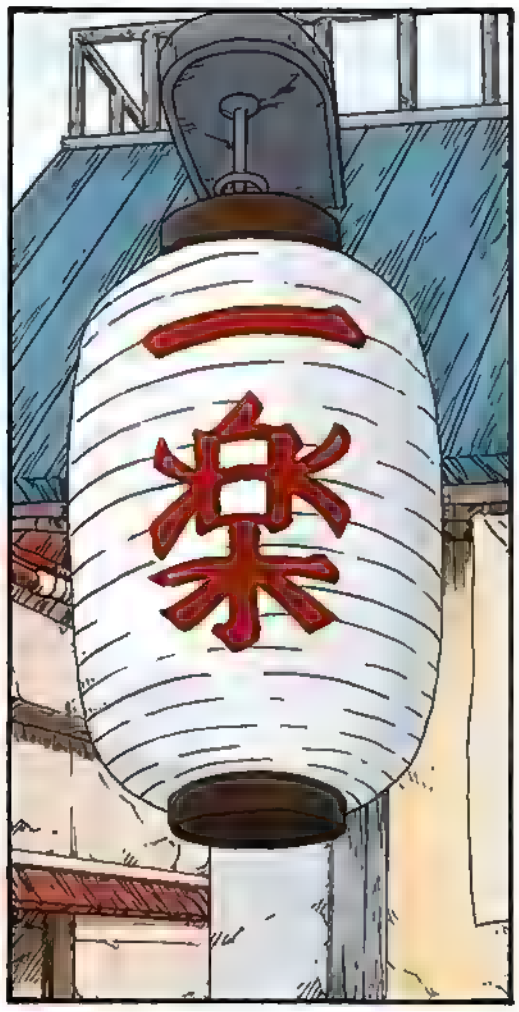

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321: HONEY TONGUED...!!

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GOOD INTER-ESTING OR BAD INTER-ESTING?

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NARUTO, I WANT TO SHOW YOU SOME-THING INTER-ESTING...

....YOU KNOW I CAN SWEET-TALK ANYONE ...

NO POINT IN ARGUING NARUTO...

OH, COME ON!! LECTURES! PLEASE?!

LET'S JUST SAY THERE ARE SOME THINGS I NEED TO EXPLAIN...

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COME AGAIN!

BESIDES... YOU'RE PROBABLY MY ONLY JUNIOR WHO I ACKNOWLEDGE AS AN EQUAL....

THERE'S NO RANK DISTICTION WHEN IT COMES TO MUTUAL RESPECT.

HUH?!

I THOUGHT THE SENIOR MEMBER USUALLY COVERS A FOOD BILL!

WELL, THEN... THANKS FOR LUNCH, YAMATO.

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HE REALLY CAN SWEET-TALK ANYONE!

HEH HEH HEH HEH.

NO, NO! I GOT IT!

BUT YOU'RE RIGHT, I REALLY OUGHT TO...

SO WHAT DID YOU WANT TO SHOW ME?

?

FIRST, I WANT TO CONFIRM...

THERE'S A PROPER ORDER TO THESE THINGS.

HOLD YOUR HORSES ...

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DO I REMEM-BER?!

YOU BET I DO! IT'S... IT'S...

.....

...WE TALKED ABOUT CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE AND ONE OTHER IMPORTANT TECHNIQUE...

BEFORE WE STARTED THIS TRAINING REGIMEN...

... REMEMBER?

TO TRANSFORM THE SHAPE OF ONE'S CHAKRA.

THE OTHER IS CHANGE IN CHAKRA FORM.

HEH HEH...

... SHALL WE?

LET'S JUST SAY YOU FORGOT...

THAT JUTSU REQUIRES NOT JUST CHANGING MY CHAKRA NATURE TO LIGHTNING...

...BUT I MUST CHANGE MY CHAKRA FORM AS WELL, SO IT'LL DISCHARGE, AND I CAN SET ITS RANGE OF ACTION AND POWER LEVEL.

I USED THE CHIDORI TO EXPLAIN IT, REMEMBER?

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SHINOBI WHO CAN PERFORM BOTH SIMULTANE-OUSLY ARE UNCOMMON.

...YOU CAN RAISE YOUR ATTACK STRENGTH EXPONEN-TIALLY.

LISTEN CLOSELY.

BY ADDING A CHANGE IN FORM ON TOP OF A CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE...

AND YOU ALREADY HAVE A CHANGE IN CHAKRA FORM JUTSU.

OUR EXERCISES JUST HELPED YOU MASTER A CHANGE IN YOUR CHAKRA NATURE TO WIND.

...THE RASEN-GAN...

IN THAT REGARD, THE RASENGAN IS DIFFERENT FROM THE CHIDORI... ...BECAUSE IT ONLY INVOLVES A CHANGE IN FORM.

.....

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THAT'S RIGHT.

AWE-SOME!!

I'LL BE CHURNING OUT NEW JUTSU IN NO TIME, THEN!

DOES THAT MEAN I CAN DO BOTH NOW?!

WELL, BASICALLY YES.

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SEEMS LIKE A PIECE OF CAKE!

.....

.....

!?

IF THAT REALLY WERE THE CASE, I WOULDN'T HAVE HAD TO INVENT THE CHIDORI.

HEH...

SWIRL

HAH!

...IS THE INTERESTING THING I WANTED TO SHOW YOU.

FAP

NOW THIS...

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螺旋丸!!

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RASENGAN!!

!!?

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I WASN'T ABLE TO COMBINE THE RASENGAN'S CHANGE IN FORM...

...WITH A CHANGE IN CHAKRA NATURE TO LIGHTING.

I DIDN'T KNOW YOU COULD DO THE RASEN-GAN..?!

K-KAKASHI-SENSEI...!

!?

YEAH... BUT THIS IS IT.

...OR RATHER, NATURAL TALENT AND INTUITION.

COMBINING A CHANGE IN NATURE WITH A CHANGE IN FORM TAKES INCREDIBLE SKILL...

.....

!

(FIZZLE)

EVEN MY TEACHER WHO INVENTED THIS JUTSU FAILED AS WELL.

AND I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO FAILED AT THIS.

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THAT'S RIGHT. EVEN THE FOURTH HOKAGE...

...COULDN'T MASTER A SUPER-RASENGAN.

MASTERING ANY CHANGE IN FORM IS ALREADY AN A-RANKED LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY.

BUT I CAN STILL MANAGE TO COPY IT.

THE NEXT STEP, HOWEVER, IS THE PROBLEM.

THE FOURTH HOKAGE HONED THE CHANGE IN FORM TO ITS HIGHEST DEGREE.

THAT'S THE RASENGAN.

WAIT... ARE YOU SAYING THE RASEN-GAN...

...IS AN IN-COMPLETE JUTSU...?

THE FOURTH HOKAGE HAD ALWAYS INTENDED TO ADD...

...HIS OWN CHANGE IN NATURE TO THE RASENGAN WHEN HE INVENTED IT.

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IT MIGHT EVEN BE UNACHIEVE-ABLE...

SO THE JUTSU THAT WE'RE AIMING FOR IS AN S-RANKED LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY...

...OR POSSIBLY BEYOND.

IN A SENSE, YES.

.....

...I'M TELLING YOU ALL THIS, NARUTO?

DO YOU UNDER-STAND WHY...

....YOU'RE JUST GOING TO HAVE TO DISCOVER IT ALL YOURSELF.

SO THERE'S NOTHING ABOUT IT YOU CAN BE TAUGHT. FROM HERE. ON OUT...

.....?

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IT'S BECAUSE I TRULY BELIEVE...

...THAT YOU'RE THE ONLY SHINOBI THAT CAN SURPASS THE FOURTH HOKAGE.

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SHUF

LET'S REST A LITTLE LONGER BEFORE WE BEGIN AGAIN.

WELL.. ENOUGH TALK FOR NOW.

SHFF

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NAH...

.....

YOU REALLY ARE A SWEET-TALKER.

MAN KAKASHI.

..JUST A BELIEVER.

.....

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HOPE TO SEE YOU AGAIN SOON, SIR.

SORRY, BUT WE WONT BE BACK FOR A WHILE.

WE MUST RETURN TO KOHOHA TO LOOK FOR JINCHURIKI HOSTS.

SOME ADVICE, THEN. IF I MAY...

DISTANCE YOURSELF FROM YOUR COMPANION.

HE HAS A FACE THAT IS INAUSPICIOUS FOR MONEY MATTERS.

.....

SHOOM

...I KNOW.

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(SHOOM)

HEY, ASUMA-SENSEI...

!

.....

WHY DO YOU ASK, ALL OF A SUDDEN?

...WHAT KIND OF RELATIONSHIP DID YOU HAVE WITH THIS CHIRIKU PERSON?

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IF THE LIKES OF YOU CAN READ MY HEART, THEN I MUST STILL BE A RANK AMATEUR.

SHARP EYES, SHIKA-MARU...

IT'S BEEN TWO DAYS SINCE YOUR LAST CIGARETTE.

WHEN A CHAIN SMOKER LIKE YOU LAYS OFF, SOMETHING'S ALWAYS UP.

BESIDES, I HAVEN'T SEN YOU LIKE THIS SINCE THE THIRD HOKAGE DIED.

.....

PLAY ENOUGH SHOGI WITH SOMEONE, YOU LEARN TO READ THEM LIKE A BOOK.

HUP

.....

.....

.....

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WE WERE SORT OF LIKE...

...YOU AND CHOJI.

CHIRIKU AND I WERE PART OF THE GUARDIAN SHINOBI TWELVE TOGETHER...

.....

.....

.....

...FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH...

...I DON'T THINK YOU'LL STAY SMOKELESS TOO LONG.

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YOU DON'T THINK I'LL STAY SMOKELESS TOO LONG, EH?

.....

HA HA HA...

...PERHAPS THAT'S BEEN TRUE IN THE PAST...

.....!

... BUT I DID'T QUIT BECAUSE OF CHIRIKU'S DEATH.

...AND NOT THAT I'M NOT TOUCHED THAT YOU CARE...

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.....?

.....

THEIR ABLILITES ARE FORMIDABLE.

YOU CAN NEVER LET YOUR GUARD DOWN AROUND THEM...

BESIDES...

... THE AKATSUKI WERE STRONG ENOUGH TO DEFEAT CHRIKU.

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.....

.....

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BUT I CAN HAVE NO OTHER COMPANION.

YOU ARE RIGHT... HIDAN IS INAUSPICIOUS IN MONEY MATTERS.

THERE'S A REASON FOR THAT.

...?

CREAK

ALL THOSE WHO HAVE PAIRED WITH ME IN THE PAST HAVE DIED.

?

REASON ...?

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WHEN I AM STIRRED, THE KILLING INSTINCT IN ME IS AWAKENED...

(SHOOF)

...THAT'S WHY OUR PARTNER-SHIP WORKS

BUT HIM, HE'S UNKILLABLE...

(THUMP)

(THUMP)

...?

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SIT

AS EXPECTED, THE MULTIPLE SHADOW CLONES TIRE EASILY.

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(CROUCH)

GAH...

NOW, JUST ADD WIND CHAKRA!

UHN!

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ZI-IP

WAAH!

NO WAY... IT CAN'T BE DONE...

...TO THEN HAVE TO ADD A CHANGE IN NATURE ...?!

TAKES SO MUCH FOCUS JUST TO MAKE THE STUPID RASENGAN TO BEGIN WITH...

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……!

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…IT'S LIKE TRYING TO LOOK TO THE RIGHT AND LEFT AT THE SAME TIME! IMPOSSIBLE!

NO! I CAN DO THIS!

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ズズズ…

FOCUS… JUST LIKE WHEN I RUB MY TWO CHAKRAS TOGETHER…

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TENZO...!

I KNOW!!

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...MUCH LESS HOW OFTEN I CAN SUPRESS HIM.

I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH SHIFTING NARUTO CAN BEAR...

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SLORP

.....

WHETHER NARUTO ACHIEVES HIS JUTSU OR NOT DEPENDS ON YOU, MY FRIEND.

BUT THIS IS THE ONLY WAY.

YES, SIR...

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JUST FIVE MINUTES IN THAT CESSPOOL AND STENCH SEEPS INTO MY CLOTHES!

UCH! NASTY!

SNIFF SNIFF

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TOOK YOU LONG ENOUGH KAKAZU!

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KRUNCH

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THIP

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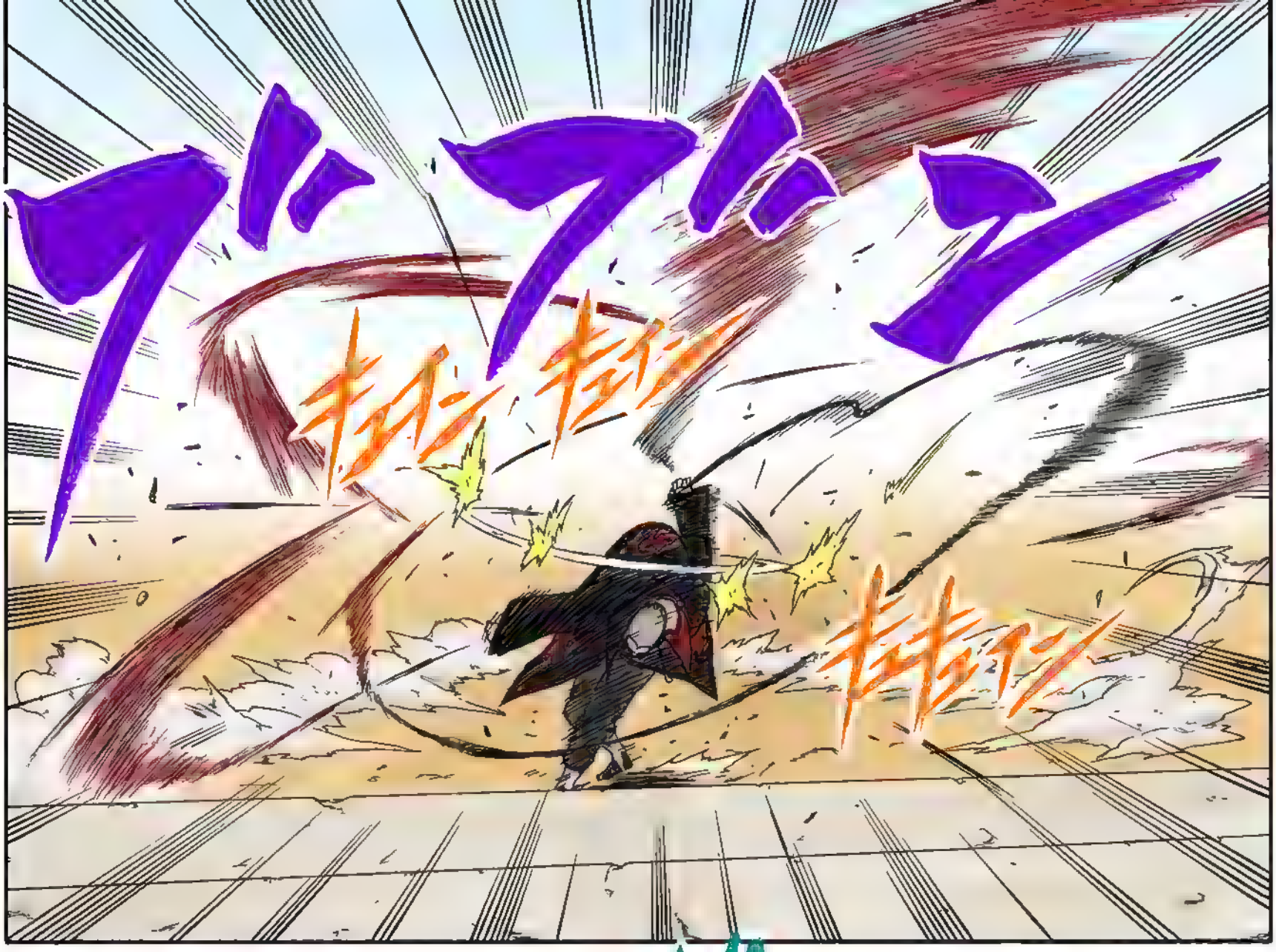

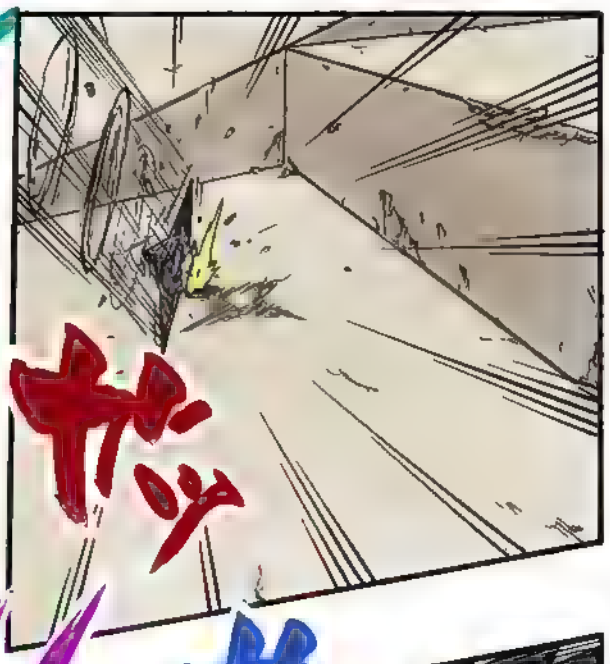

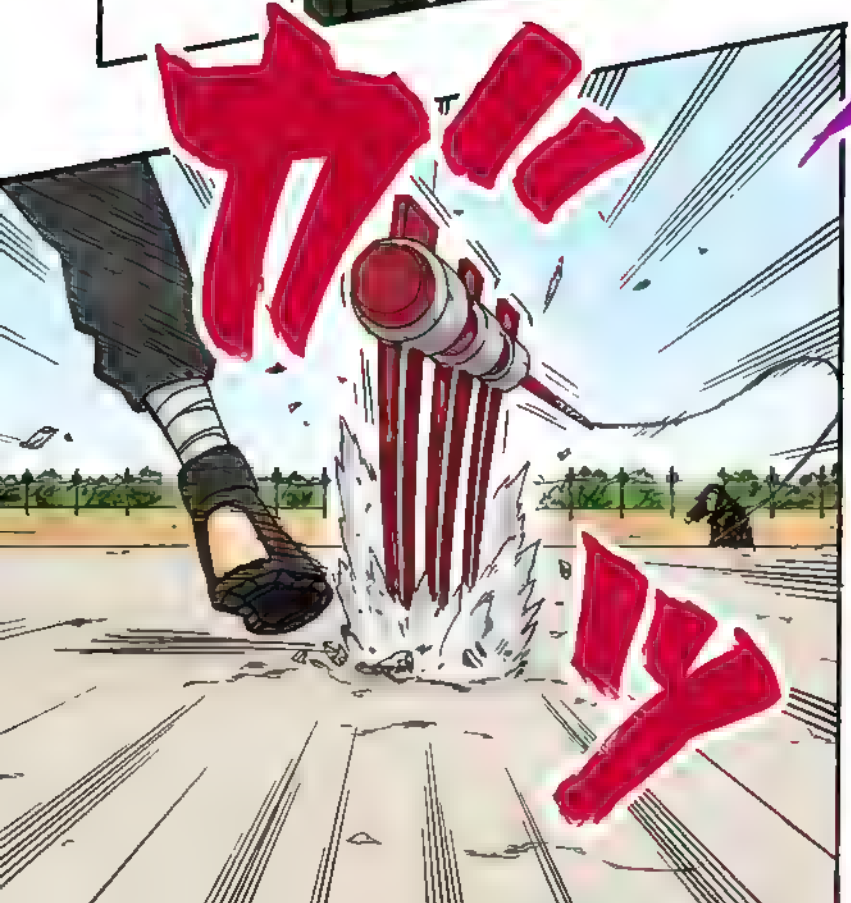

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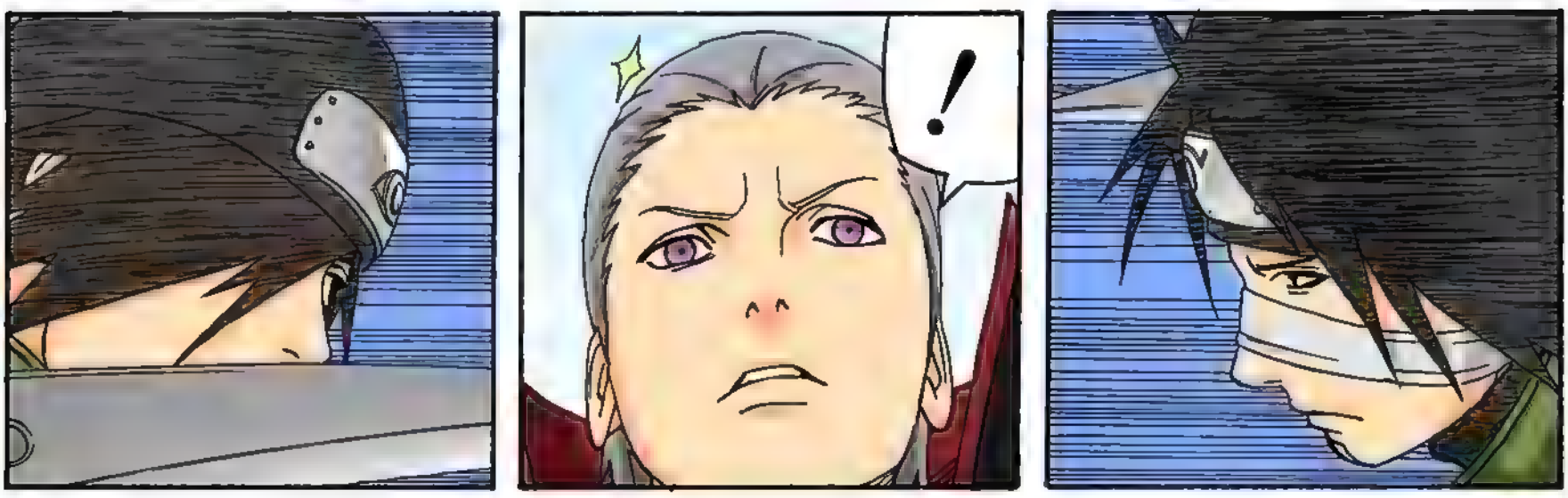
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SLOW-
POKES.

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SHUNK

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ONE DOWN.

...WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE ANYWAY?

YEESH, OWW...

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QUIT DRIVING THE POINTS IN, WILL YOU? IT HURTS!

WHAT THE...?!

WE BOTH HIT VITAL SPOTS!

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323: JUDGMENT!! 神の裁き!!

NOW, AGAIN... WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?

ISN'T IT OBVIOUS?

WHAT IS THIS GUY, IMMORTAL?

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.....

*SLUMP

?

...LOOKS LIKE I'M GOING BACK TO THAT STINKY COLLECTION OFFICE...

OH, TERRIFIC...

CHIRIKU ...

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OUR ORDERS ARE TO CAPTURE OR KILL YOU AKATSUKI.

WE ARE SHINOBI FROM KONOHA.

...BUT I GUESS THAT'S GOING TO HAVE TO CHANGE...

WE ALREADY KNOW YOU USUALLY OPERATE IN PAIRS.

I WAS PLANNING TO TAKE DOWN ONE OF YOU FIRST, THEN CAPTURE THE OTHER...

*SHING

SO... WHERE'S YOUR PARTNER?

YOU CHOSE THE WRONG ONE TO START WITH.

SO THIS IS ONE OF THE AKATSUKI, HUH... WHAT MIND-BLOWING ABILITIES! MY SHADOW-STITCHING'S NOT GOING TO BE ENOUGH...

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BLAM

!

Do KRRAK

!

*HOOSH

SNIP

Pop

BOOF

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!

I'M FREE!

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WIGGLE...

*SHING

*FREEZE

!

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*WHSSH

!

*WHSSH

KOTETSU! IZUMO!

RETRETAT!!

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WHSSH

WHSSH

*SWISH

YOU CAN HAVE THE MONEY AFTER-WARD.

KAKUZU, STAY OUT OF THIS.

I WANT THEM FOR MY RITUAL.

...FOR ONCE YOU'VE STRUCK GOLD, HIDAN.

THE FELLOW IN FRONT...

I KEEP TELLIN' YA...

ZLUSH

JUST BE CAREFUL, OR YOU'LL DIE.

FINE...

SQUELCH

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BUT IT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE... EH?!

I *WISH* SOMEONE WOULD KILL ME ALREADY!

...WILL YOU QUIT IT ALREADY?

...!

ZLUSH...

THE RISK IS TOO HIGH.

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU...

I SHOULD GO IN WITH YOU...

...IF EVEN FOR AN INSTANT. THAT'S ALL THE TIME I'LL NEED TO SLICE HIS HEAD OFF.

I'M GOING IN... FIND A WAY TO TRAP MR. IMMORTAL WITH YOUR SHADOW-STITCHING, SHIKAMARU...

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I'VE NEVER SEEN ASUMA LIKE THIS...

DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?! THIS IS THE BEST PLAN WE'VE GOT RIGHT NOW!!

THEY'RE FAR STRONGER THAN EVEN ME...!

IZUMO, KOTETSU, YOU TWO ASSIST SHIKAMARU AGAINST THE OTHER AKATSUKI.

SINCE WE HAVE AN IDEA OF OUR ENEMY'S STRENGTH... WE OUGHT TO RETREAT AND FORMULATE...

YOU THINK THEY'RE GOING TO LET US JUST WALK AWAY?

.....

IF WE DON'T STAND AND FIGHT NOW, WE'LL BE SLAUGHTERED...

...AND KONOHA WILL BE AT EVEN GREATER RISK.

WE'RE THE "VANGUARD PENETRATING THE ENEMY CAMP."

ONCE IN A WHILE, YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SUCH A MOVE...

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THE GODS SHALL PUNISH...

...THOSE WHO DON'T UNDER-STAND THE PAIN OF OTHERS.

YEESH, IT HURTS !

SQUICH

OWWWW ...

JABBING ME HERE AND THERE, SUCH PESTS YOU ARE...!

THE ROLE OF A CLIMBING SILVER...

...DOESN'T SUIT YOU, ASUMA.

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SHHF

SINCE I'VE GOT YOU.

HEH HEH... I WON'T BE A SIMPLE SACRIFI-CIAL PIECE.

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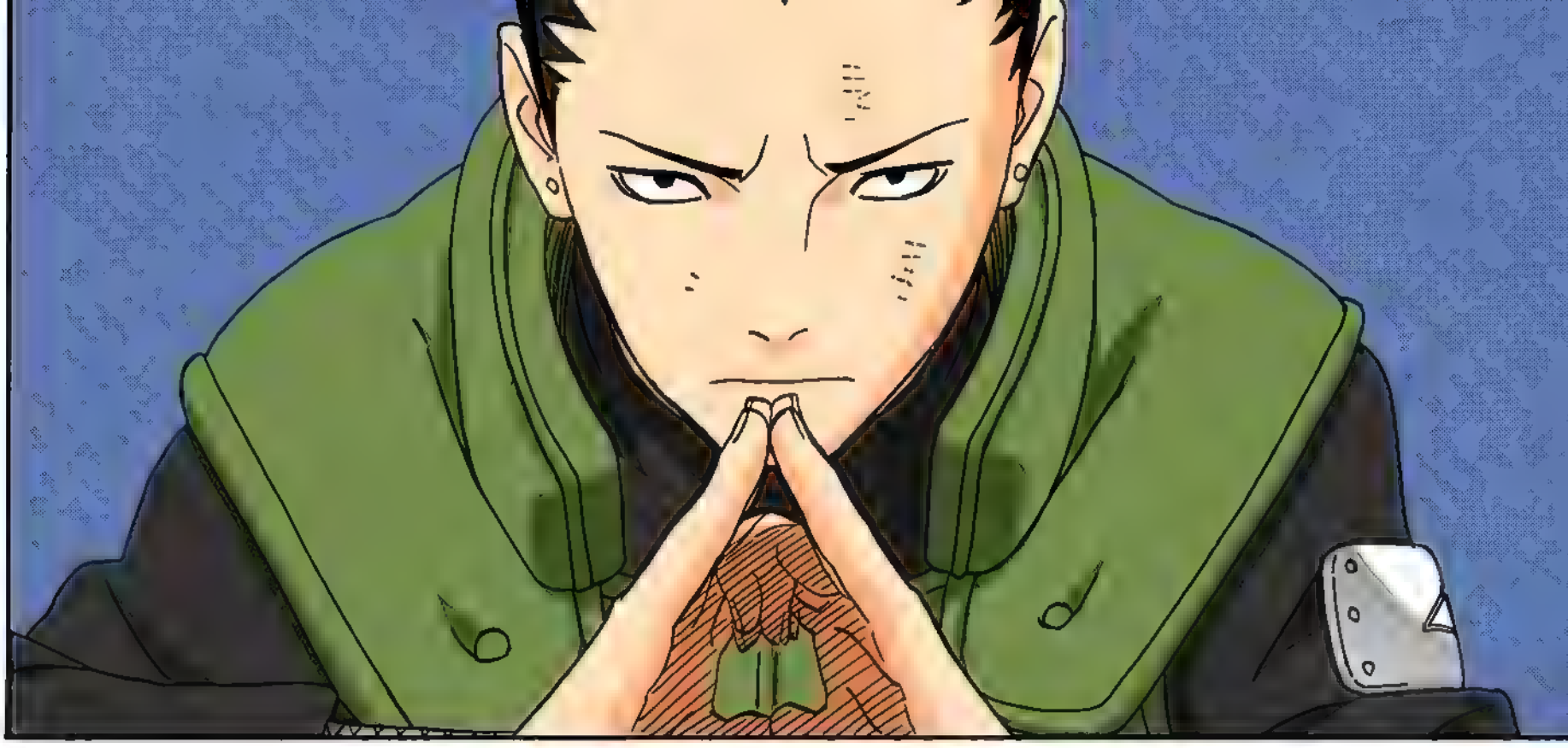

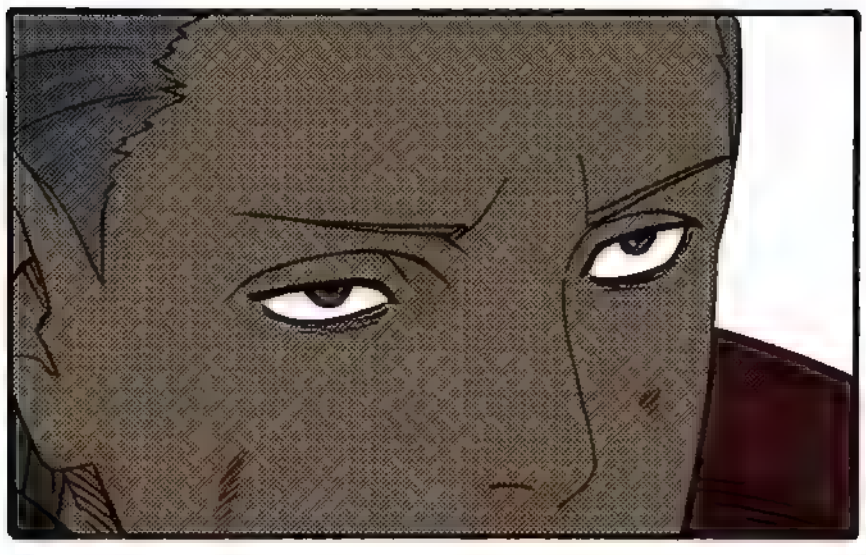

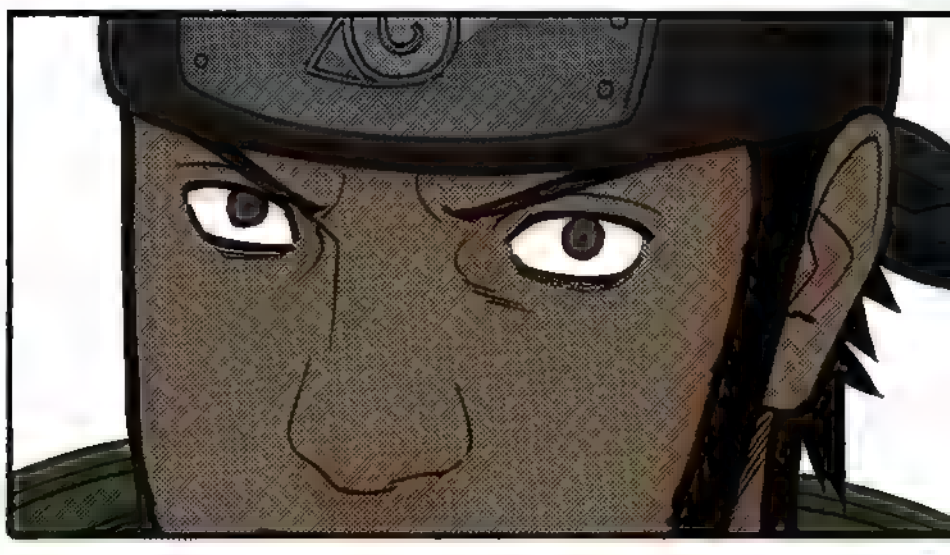

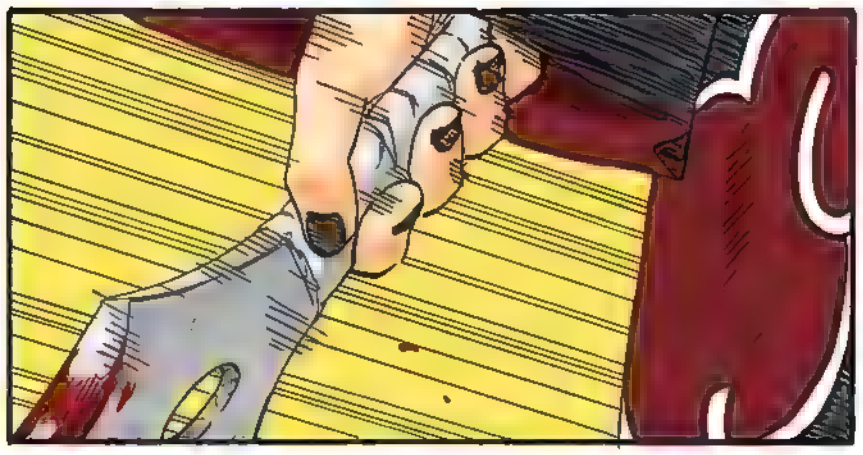

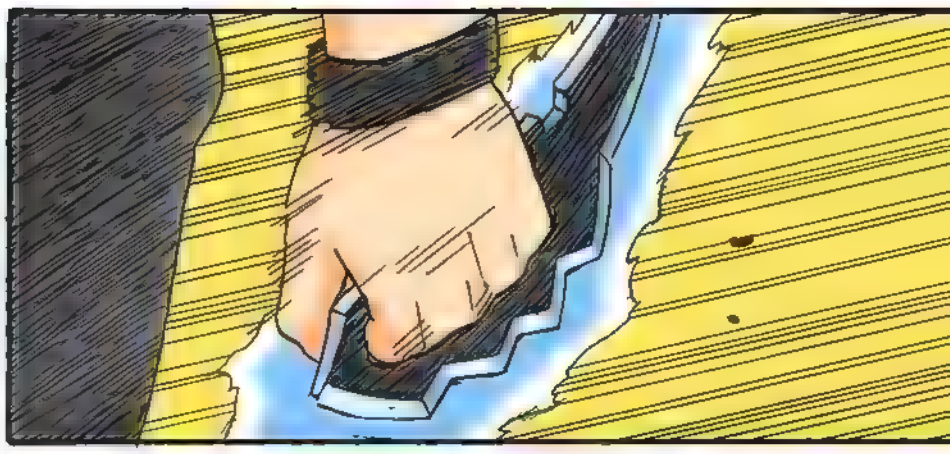

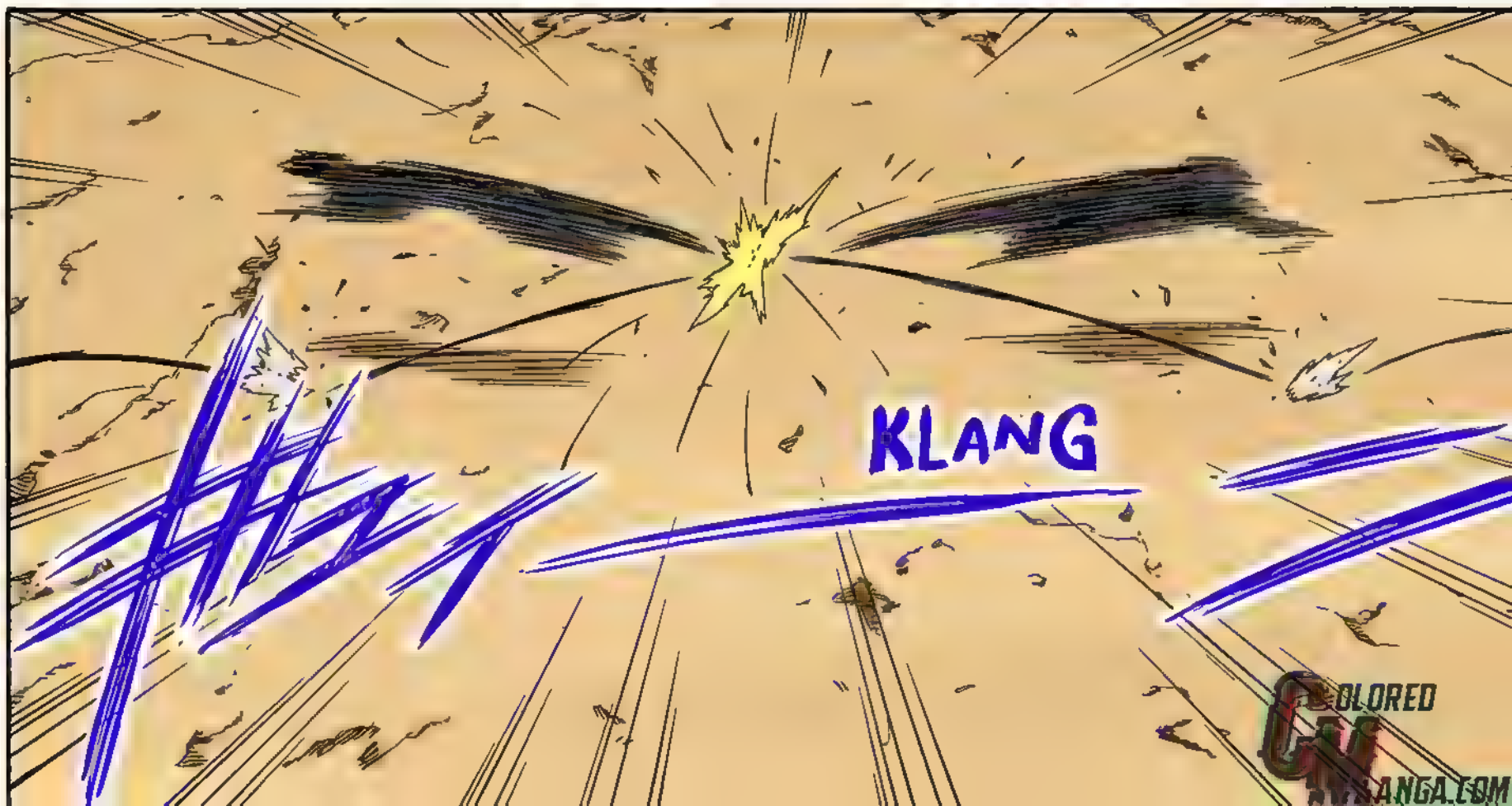
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WHSSH

WHSSH

WHSSH

THOCK

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SWISH

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*KLANG

CAPTAIN ASUMA!!

*KACHINGG

COLORED MANGA.COM

UGH!

*BZZ BZZ BZZ

THNNGG

FWP

TUMP

*THAP

*FAP

IF TARGETED ATTACKS ARE INEFFEC-TIVE...

FWP FWP

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KATON HAISEKISHO!
FIRE-STYLE!
BURNING-ASH!!

火遁・灰積焼!!

SHING

SHING

SLURP

*SPLURCH

HUMPH...

SHHHF

*WHOOSH...

SHIT

COLORED MANGA.COM

KER

BLAST

...!?

!

FIZZLE...

.....

*ZIZZLE...

IT HURTS!

ジジジジジ...

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU...?

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UGGH...

ZIZZLE...

JUDGMENT HAS BEEN PASSED.

WHAT'S GOING ON?

!?

WAS IT HIS JUTSU... OR SOMETHING ELSE?

MY ARM, BURNED TOO...

NOW, DO YOU FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE OTHER PERSON'S PAIN?

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I HAVE ALREADY CURSED YOU...

AND THE RITUAL SHALL NOW BEGIN...

WELL, THEN!!

LET'S EXPERIENCE THE ULTIMATE PAIN TOGETHER, SHALL WE!!!

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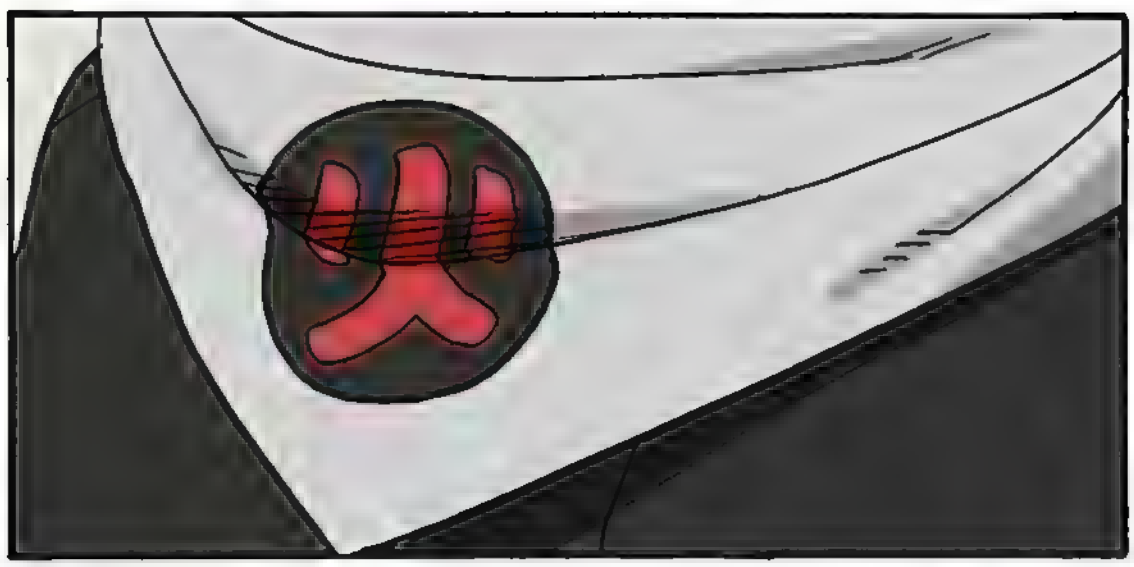

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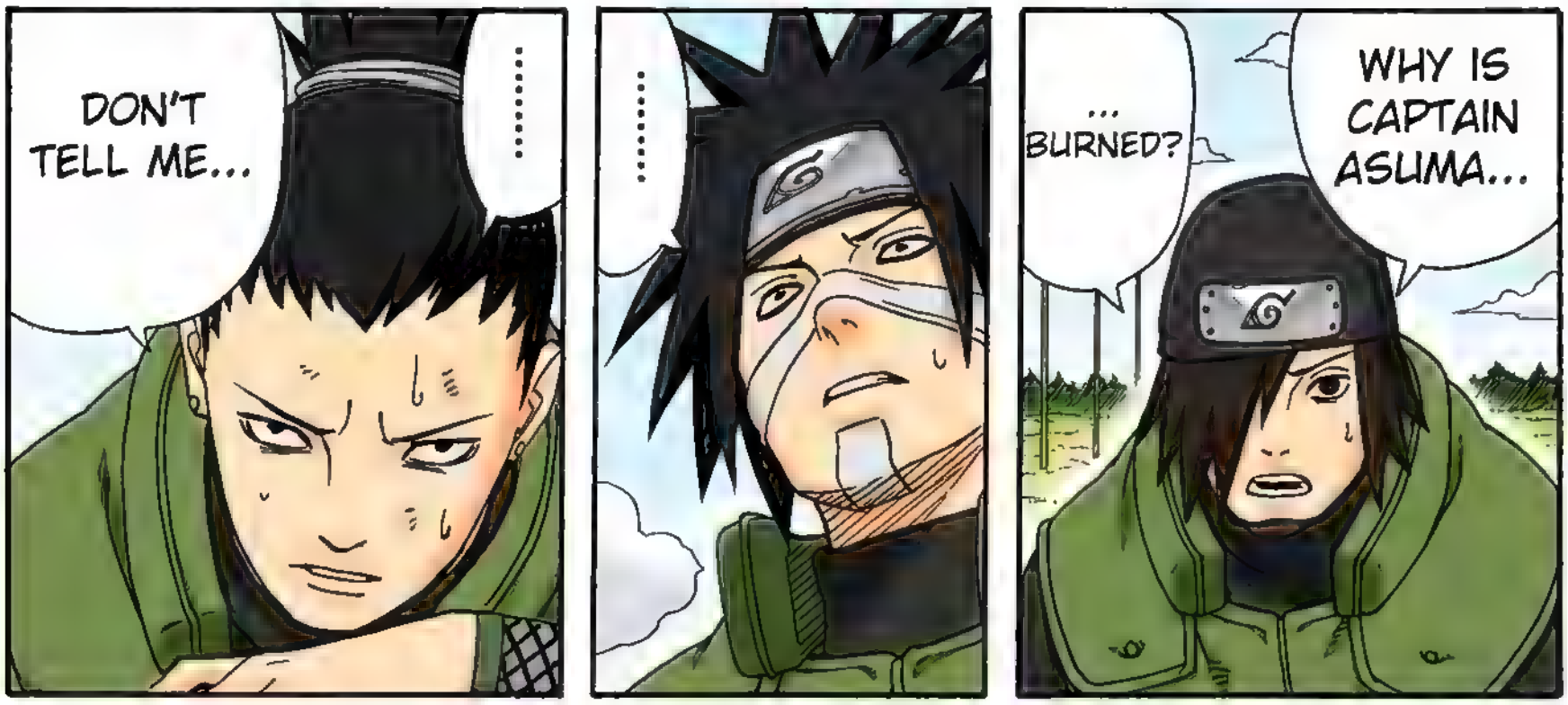
ナンバー 324：シカマルの分析(ぶんせき)!!



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NOW WE SHALL SHARE IN THE ULTIMATE PAIN!

GWAHA HAHAHA HA! ALL THE PREPARATIONS ARE DONE!

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324：
ぶんせき
シカマルの分析!!

324: SHIKAMARU'S ANALYSIS!!

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SHING

WHSSH

WHAP

THAP

!

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KA-SHUNK

NNHH....

!

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KRUNCH

!

ARGH!

BZZZZ

GWA-HA HA HA HA!

HURTS, EH?!

IT TRANSCENDS PAIN, TRANSFORMING INTO ECSTASY!

...WHEN THE OTHER PERSON'S PAIN AT THE MOMENT OF DEATH SEEPS INTO MY OWN BODY!

HEH HEH... BUT THAT PAIN IS THE BEST...

AND I DIDN'T EVEN HIT A VITAL SPOT!

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CAPTAIN ASUMA'S... HOLDING ON TO HIS LEFT LEG...

SOME-THING WEIRD'S HAPPEN-ING...

.....

OOZE

IT'S THE SAME LEG THAT GUY STABBED HIMSELF THROUGH...

...THAT'S IT.

!

I HAVE ALREADY CURSED YOU...

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HA HA! WHERE DO YOU WANT TO FEEL PAIN NEXT?

EXCEPT THAT... HE'S IMMORTAL...

HMM?!

...SO THAT I SUFFER ANY INJURY THAT HE DOES...

I SEE... SOME-HOW, HE'S LINKED HIS BODY TO MINE...

WHAP

OR WOULD YOU JUST LIKE TO END IT ALREADY?! EH?!

I'M AL-READY ON IT!

JUST STOP HIS MOVEMENTS WITH SUFFOCATING DARKNESS!

SHIKAMARU! DON'T USE PHYSICAL ATTACKS LIKE THE SHADOW-SWITCHING!

HURRY!!

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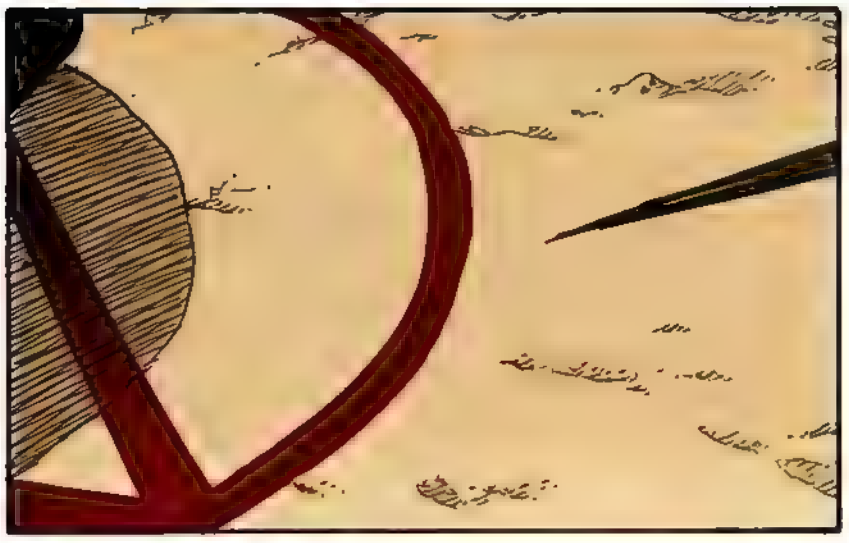

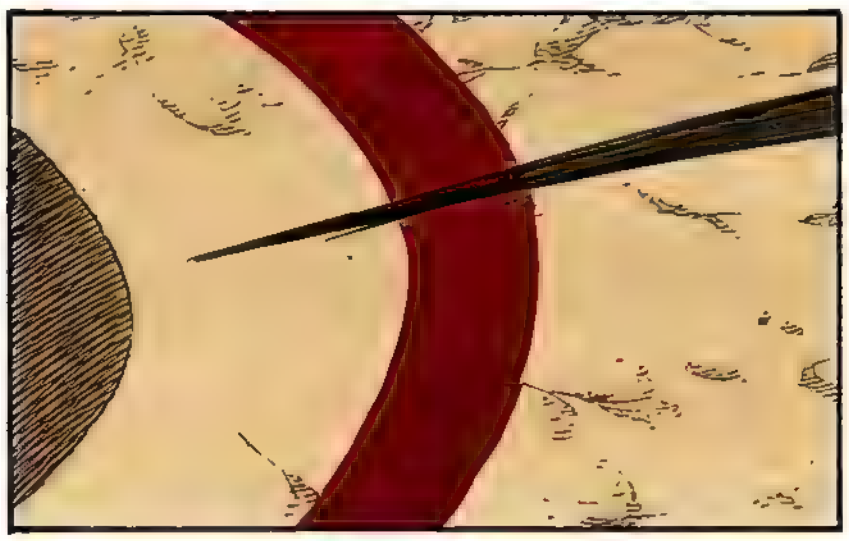

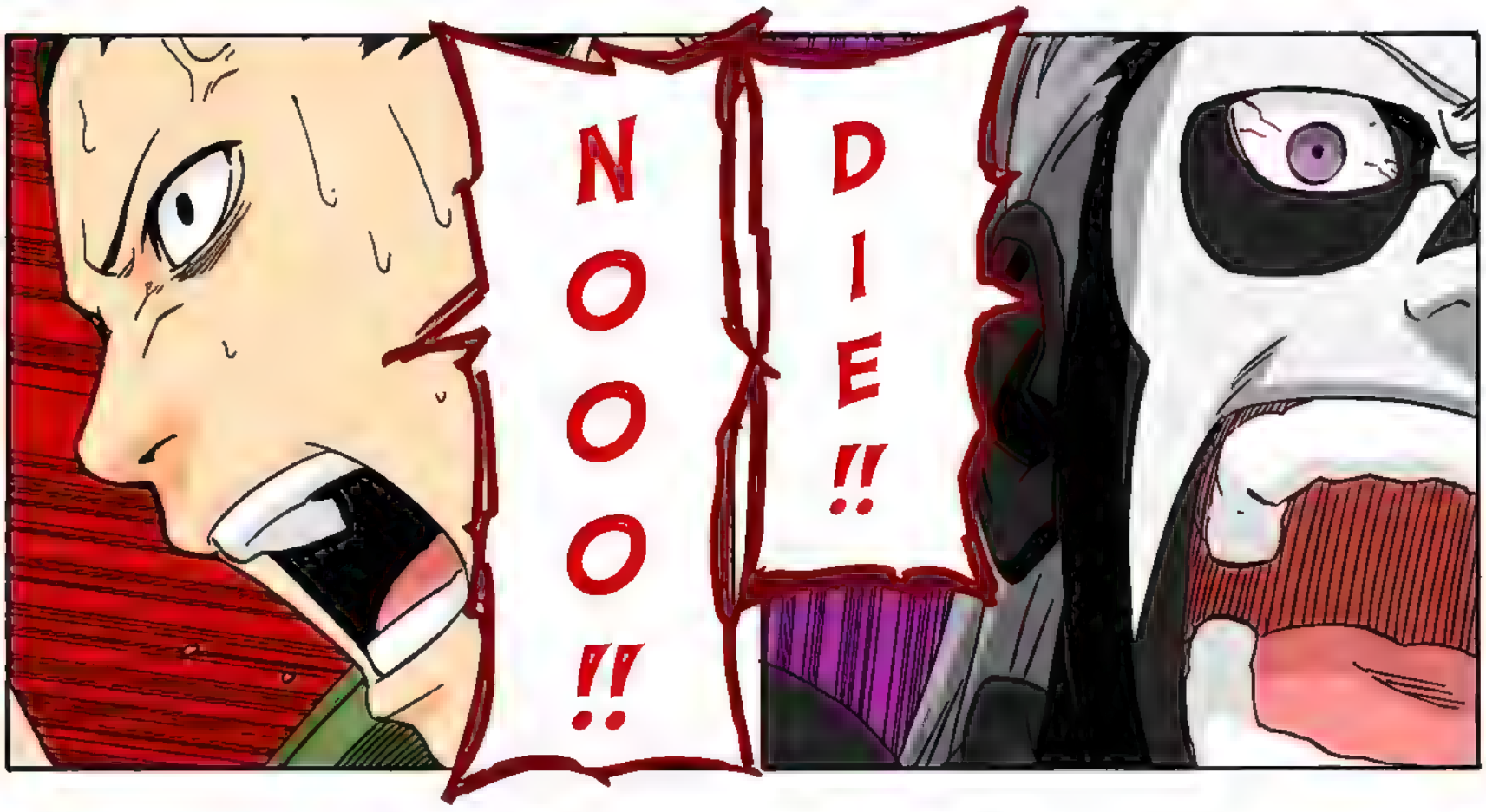
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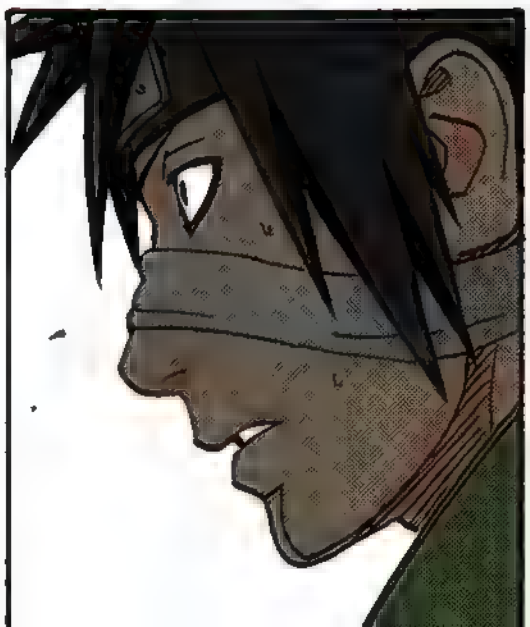
DIE!!



PUP-PLOP

PUP

HNNH...

MEH...

HUF

HUF

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HUMPF, YOU THINK YOU CAN STOP ME?

.....

GOOD JOB, SHIKAMARU!

GAH...

RRNNH RRNNH

ONLY ABOUT TEN MINUTES. IT'S GOING TO TAKE AT LEAST ANOTHER TWENTY FOR REINFORCEMENTS TO ARRIVE...

IZUMO, HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN SINCE WE CALLED FOR BACKUP?

HUH...

.....

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...CAPTAIN ASUMA WILL DIE TOO!

BUT WE CAN'T IN THIS CASE. IF WE KILL THAT AKATSUKI ...

WHAT SHOULD WE DO?!

TO NULLIFY A JUTSU WITH CONTINUOUS EFFECT, YOU HAVE TO KILL THE CASTER..

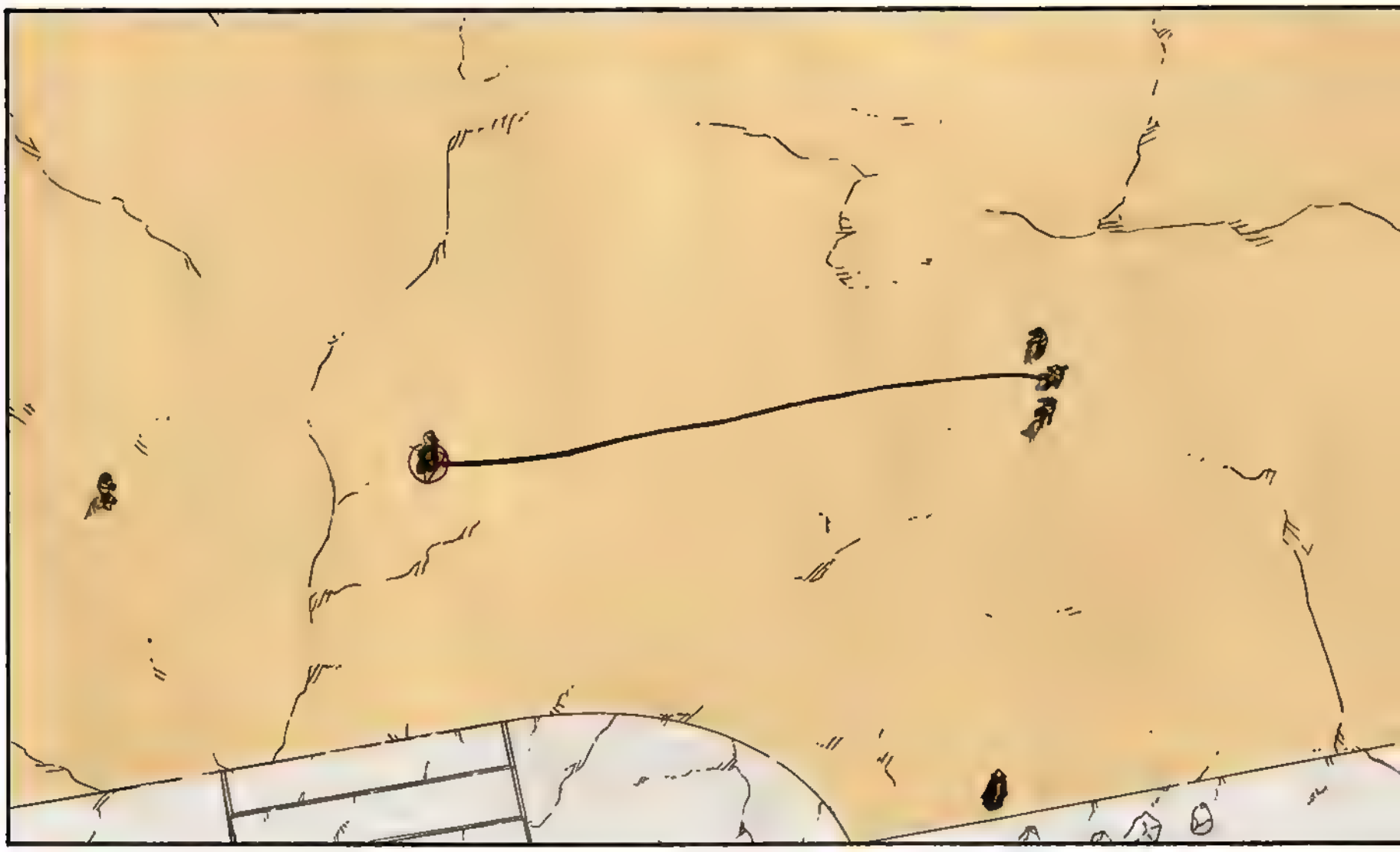
...GAH..!

NOW I'VE GOT TO THINK UP A WAY TO BREAK THIS JUTSU...

SHIKAMARU SAVED ME...

WE JUST HAVE TO CALM DOWN AND ANALYZE HIM...

THERE ARE ALWAYS LIMITATIONS AND LOOPHOLES IN EVERY JUTSU...



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RRRRNHH...

RRRRNHH...

GRRR-OWL!

SSSHH

.....

CAN'T LET SUCH A CASH COW GET AWAY.

IF THIS IS GOING TO DRAG ON, I CAN HELP...

ONLY HAVE A LITTLE WHILE TO THINK...

SUFFO-CATING DARKNESS DOESN'T LAST TOO LONG...

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I'M FINE BY MYSELF!

I TOLD YOU TO STAY OUT OF IT, DIDN'T I?!

THE MEANING BEHIND ALL OF HIS ACTIONS...

...AND HOW EVERY MOVE HE MAKES RELATES TO THE NEXT.

HIS CLOTHES... HIS WEAPONS...

...THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HIS BEHAVIOR...

...HIS SPEECH PATT-ERNS...

HIS WORDS... HIS PER-SONALITY...

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.....

...A HYPO-THETICAL FRAME-WORK OF THE JUTSU, ITS PROBABILITY AND SELECTION.

FROM IT ALL CAN BE GLEANED INSIGHT...

GODS...

...PUNISH...

THE GODS SHALL PUNISH...

...CURSED...

...RITUAL...

AND THE RITUAL SHALL NOW BEGIN...

I HAVE ALREADY CURSED YOU...

...PREPA-RATIONS...

ALL THE PREPARATIONS ARE DONE!

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SLURP

!

!

TRUST SHIKAMARU TO HAVE ANALYZED HIM ALREADY.

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I CAN'T BELIEVE HE WAS ABLE TO DO IT, ALL WHILE CASTING A JUTSU TOO...!

YOU COME UP WITH SOME-THING, SHIKA-MARU?

YEAH...

...AND THE INSTINCT TO PICK THE MOST ADVANTAGEOUS ONE.

SHIKAMARU HAS BRILLIANT, SWIFT ANALYTICAL PROWESS THAT LETS HIM FORESEE UP TO 200 POSSIBILITIES OF THE NEXT TEN MOVES IN SHOGI...

ALL RIGHT, CAPTAIN ASUMA...

...HERE IT GOES...

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325: THERE WON'T BE A LATER...!

ナンバー 325：後(あと)は無(な)い…！

RRNNH RRNNH...

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GRRR.

SKUF

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HUP!

ガガガ...

RRNNH

!

THAT SHADOW JUTSU... FORCES THE VICTIM TO MIMIC THE CASTER'S ACTIONS, HUH...

SKUFFF...

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SKUF...

ナンバー
325：後は無い…！
325: THERE WON'T BE A LATER...!

NO WAY... HE'S CAUGHT ONTO MY JUTSU...?

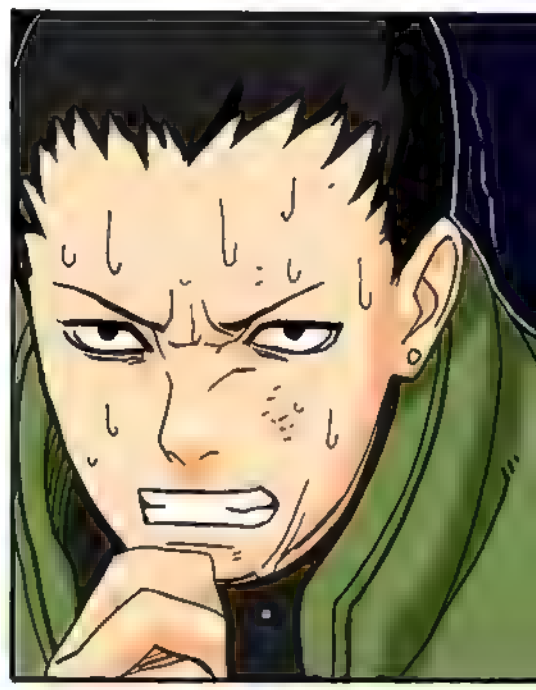
THAT WILL UNDO HIS JUTSU...

...AND THE CURSE.

I'M TRYING TO FORCE HIM OUTSIDE...

...THAT WEIRD DIAGRAM HE DREW ON THE GROUND!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!



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...IT'S GOT THREE BLADES.

...ALLOWING HIM TO CAUSE BOTH SMALL AND GREAT EXTERNAL INJURIES BY HITTING HIS OPPONENT WITH IT.

FROM THE SHAPE OF IT, IT'S PURPOSE ISN'T TO CAST A MORTAL BLOW, BUT TO EXTEND THE RANGE OF IT'S WEILDER'S ATTACK...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

THAT GIANT SCYTHE OF HIS...

...HIS JUTSU WILL THEN CAUSE HIS OPPONENT'S CERTAIN DEATH.

IN SHORT... IF HE CAN INFLICT EVEN A SINGLE SHALLOW ABRASION ...

?

.....

BUT... WHAT'S THE LINK BETWEEN THE INITIAL WOUND AND THE CURSE?!

THAT'S HIS CURSE?

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IN ORDER TO LINK HIMSELF TO HIS INTENDED VICTIM...

...HE HAS TO TAKE HIS OPPONENT'S BLOOD INTO HIS OWN BODY.

BLOOD...

!!

SLURP

.....

...I SEE.

...HE CAN THEN CURSE THEM.

SO HE WOUNDS HIS OPPONENT ...

...AND IF EVEN THE SLIGHTEST DROP OF BLOOD LANDS ON HIS SCYTHE...

...I SAW HIM LICK THE CAPTAIN'S BLOOD TOO...

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ONE MORE ...?

WHAT AN IMPRESSIVE BRAT...

...BUT THAT'S NOT ALL. THERE'S ONE MORE IMPORTANT STEP...

...TO ACTIVATE THE CURSE.

AFTER HE LICKED THE BLOOD, HIS BODY CHANGED COLORS, SO THAT WAS EASY TO DEDUCE...

...BUT RUSHED STRAIGHT TO THAT DIAGRAM HE HAD DRAWN...

SHHHF

EARLIER, HE IGNORED ASUMA'S FIRE STYLE JUTSU... DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER TO AVOID IT...

SKUF...

...SO MY GUESS IS THAT THE CURSE JUTSU...

...CAN ONLY BE COMPLETED WHILE HE'S INSIDE THE DIAGRAM.

...AND ALSO BARKED, "ALL THE PREPARA-TIONS ARE DONE"...

THEN, ONCE INSIDE IT, HE SAID, THE RITUAL SHALL NOW BEGIN...

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NOT MY FAULT...

...YOU BRAT...

.....

...YOU TALK TOO MUCH.

SKUF

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SKUF...

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HE'S BRI-LLIANT ...

.....

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RRRNNH

THERE WON'T BE A LATER!!

I'M GONNA TEAR YOU APART NOW AND KILL YOU LATER!!!

ENOUGH TALK, THEN!!

DIDI...

SKUF

GAH!

!

NOW LET'S SEE IF THE JUTSU IS UNDONE OR NOT!

ALL RIGHT!

FAP

HE'S OUT!

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YES!

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AHHH!

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HOW DARE YOU...

STILL CAN'T MOVE...

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THAT'S FINE. GOOD WORK, SHIKA-MARU.

...THIS IS IT, MY LIMIT.

CAN'T HOLD HIM MUCH LONGER.

HUF

HUF

HUF

UGH...

BZZZZZ

KRUNCH

BZZ

SKUF...

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KAKUZU! DON'T JUST STAND THERE!!

HELP ME!! QUICK!!

I TOLD YOU TO BE CAREFUL ...!

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WE DID IT!

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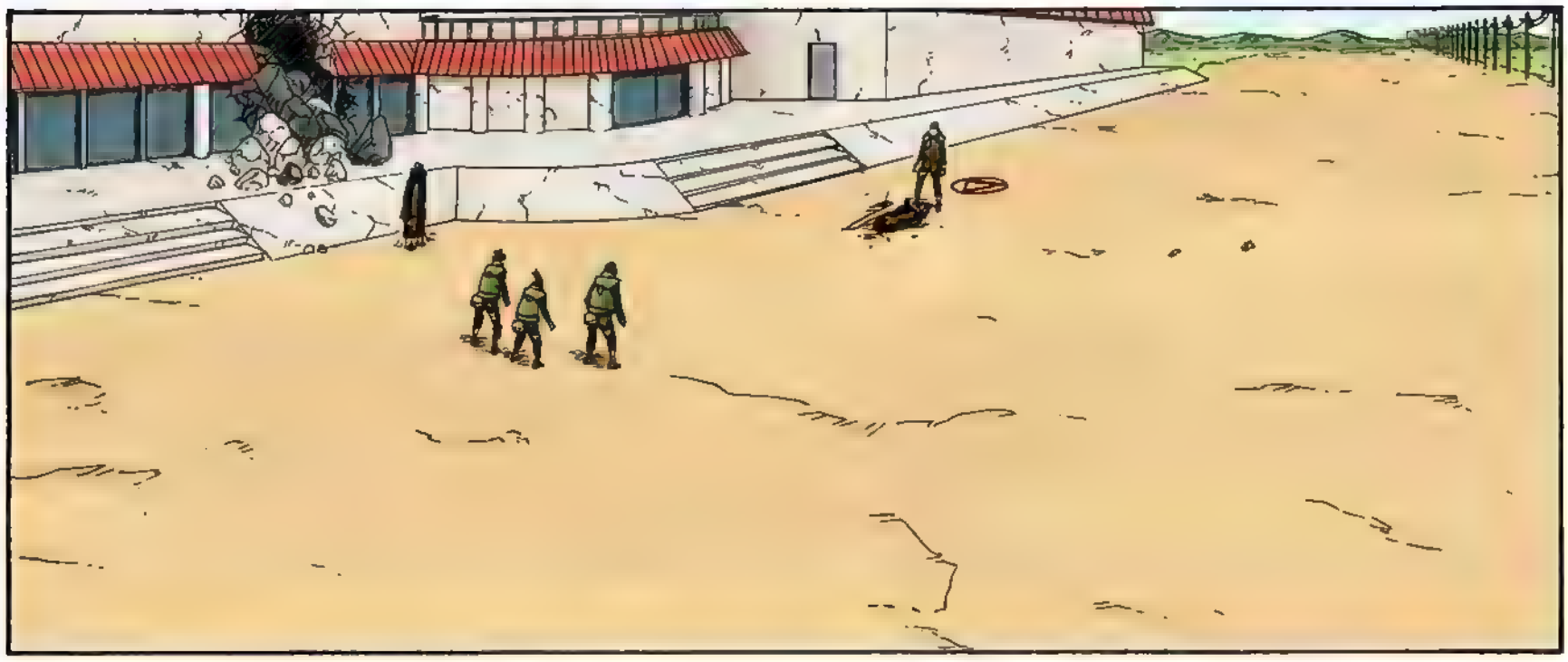

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IT WAS ON PURPOSE, WASN'T IT?!!

YOU'RE THE SLOW ONE, KAKUZU!

BESIDES... I DON'T REALLY THINK YOU'RE IN ANY POSITION TO COMPLAIN RIGHT NOW.

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO TOLD ME TO STAY OUT OF IT AT THE START...

!!

.....

...BUT NOT OUT OF DIS-RESPECT.

HEH HEH... ALL RIGHT, SO I DID TELL YOU NOT TO BUTT IN...

.....

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!

WHSSH

KAKUZU ...

COULD YOU... BRING MY BODY OVER HERE FOR ME...?

IT'S LIGHTER THIS WAY.

HEY! MY BODY, KAKUZU!!

I ASKED YOU TO BRING MY BODY TO MY HEAD !

WHSS

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ナンバー 326：望んだ痛み…!!

326: THE PAIN YOU DESIRE...!!

HE'S... STILL ALIVE.

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IDIOT... THE NECK PAIN IS INCREDIBLE...

...OF COURSE THIS IS NO ORDINARY INJURY...

...YOUR NECK WOUND SHOULD HURT MORE.

KAKUZU, QUIT PULLING MY HAIR, WOULD YOU?!

OW, OWW... HEY!

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326: THE PAIN YOU DESIRE...!!

ナンバー326：望んだ痛み…!!

YOU FOOLS HAVE NO IDEA HOW PAINFUL IT IS HAVING YOUR HEAD SLICED OFF!!!

IT REALLY, REALLY HURTS! OWWW!!!

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO EVEN BEGIN TO EXPLAIN THIS ONE...

WHAT THE...

.....

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HE MIGHT BE IMMORTAL, BUT HE'S COMPLETELY USELESS.

YEAH, BUT EVEN IF HE'S ALIVE...

...SO LONG AS HE'S NOT ATTACHED TO HIS BODY, HE CAN'T PERFORM ANY JUTSU.

SHIKA-MARU ...!

UNNH ...

SHIKA-MARU'S AT HIS LIMIT.

.....

SO ONE LEFT TO GO, HUH...

FOR SURE ...

NOT SO FAST ...

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...IT ALSO MEANS WE'VE CREATED A CHANCE FOR US TO ESCAPE...

AND CAPTAIN ASUMA'S WOUNDED... WHILE WE MAY HAVE GIVEN OURSELVES THE UPPER HAND BY DISABLING ONE OF THE AKATSUKI...

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CAPTAIN ASUMA!!

ARGH!

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SQUELCH

...I'M GIVING IT WHETHER YOU WANT IT OR NOT.

NOW THAT YOU'VE ASKED FOR MY HELP..

THAP

HACK!

GAG!

SQUICH

SQUICH

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HIS HEAD!

!?

OWW ...

MEH... ALL RIGHT...

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DON'T MOVE IT TOO MUCH YET OR IT'LL COME RIGHT OFF.

CRACK
CRACK

FINALLY...

...THEY'RE BOTH SO SKILLED...

GAH... ONE AFTER ANOTHER...

...WHAT IN THE WORLD... ARE WE UP AGAINST?

...IT'S RE-ATTACHED...

HA!

YOU STICK WITH THE CASH COW. I'LL DEAL WITH THE REST.

YOUR BATTLE REPARTEE IS AS OVER-LONG AS YOUR RITUAL.

HUF

GAH.

HUF

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HH!

I KNOW!

IZUMO!

ALL RIGHT...

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水遁・水飴拿原!!
すいとん みずあめなばら
SUITON MIZU'AME NABARA! WATER STYLE, SYRUP TRAP!!
BZZZ
SPLISH
ハロ手や
メキメキ
!
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GOTCHA!!

SSSS

SNIP

SNAP

!

HU-MPH ...

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GAH...

UGH..

GUH...

BZZZZZZZZ

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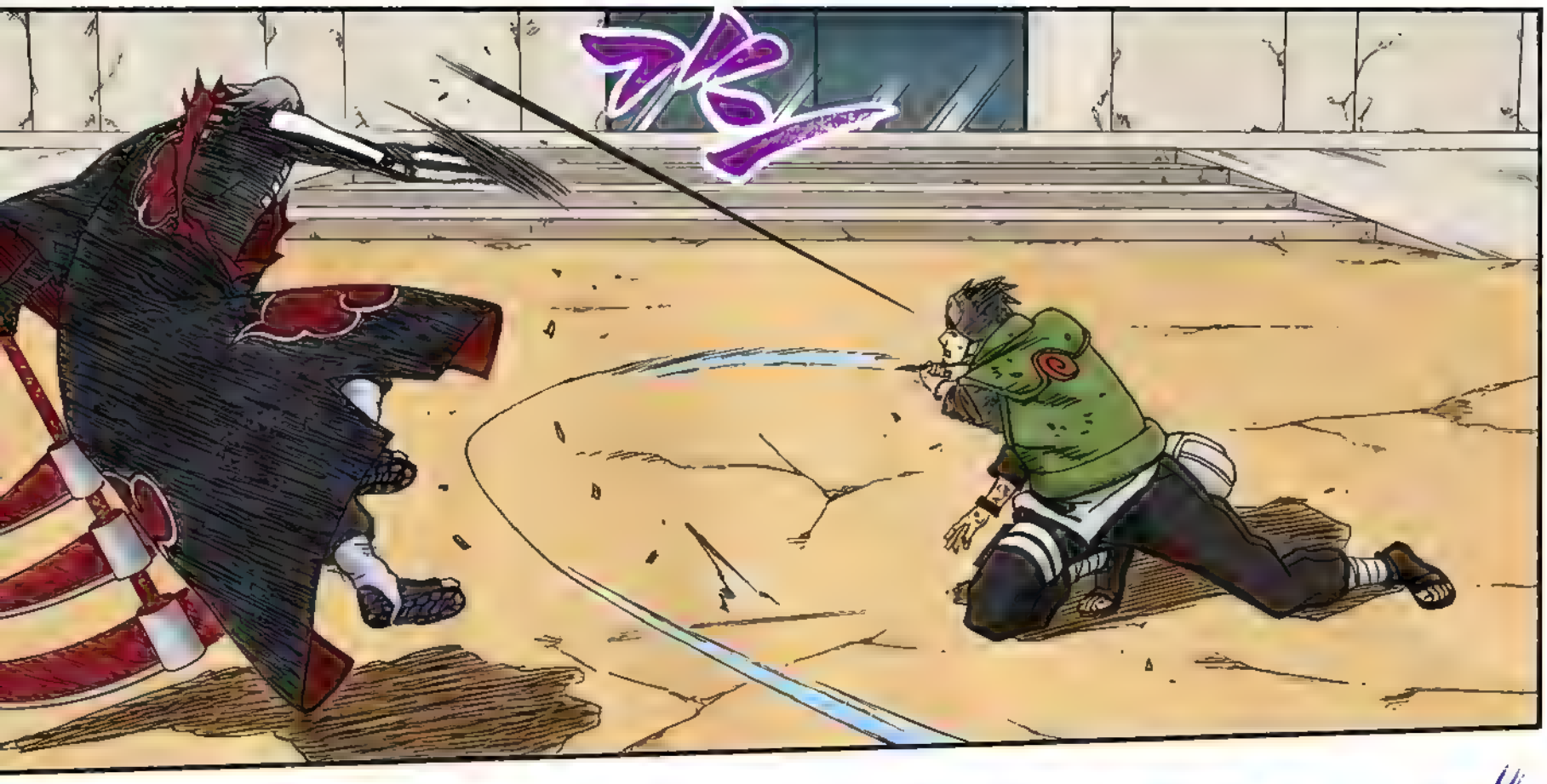

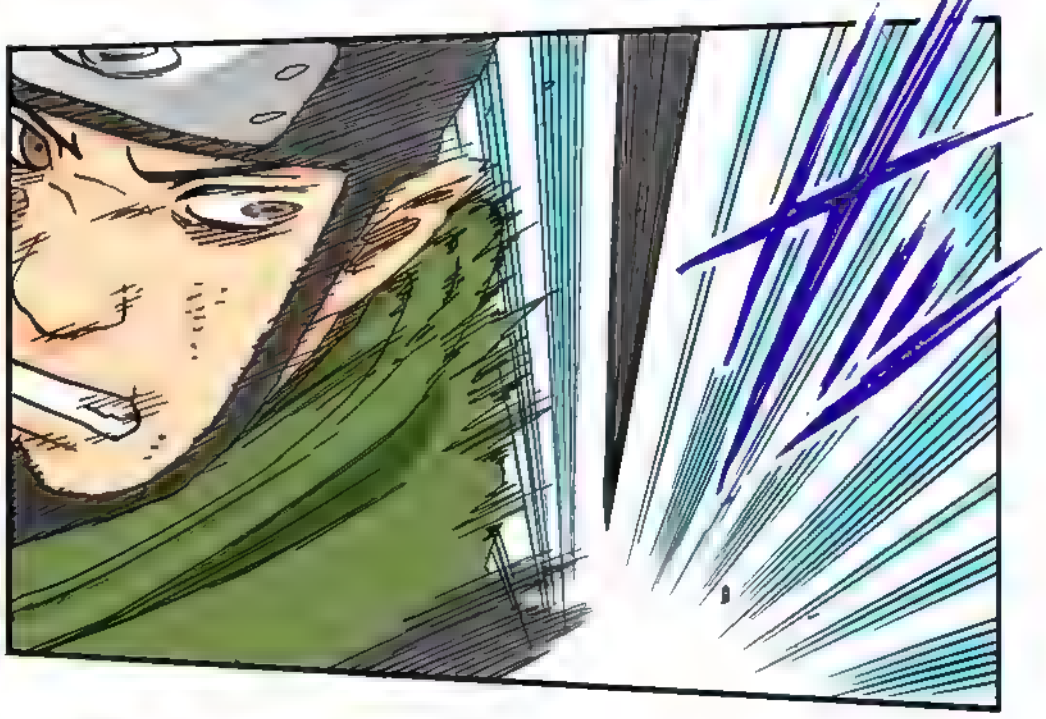

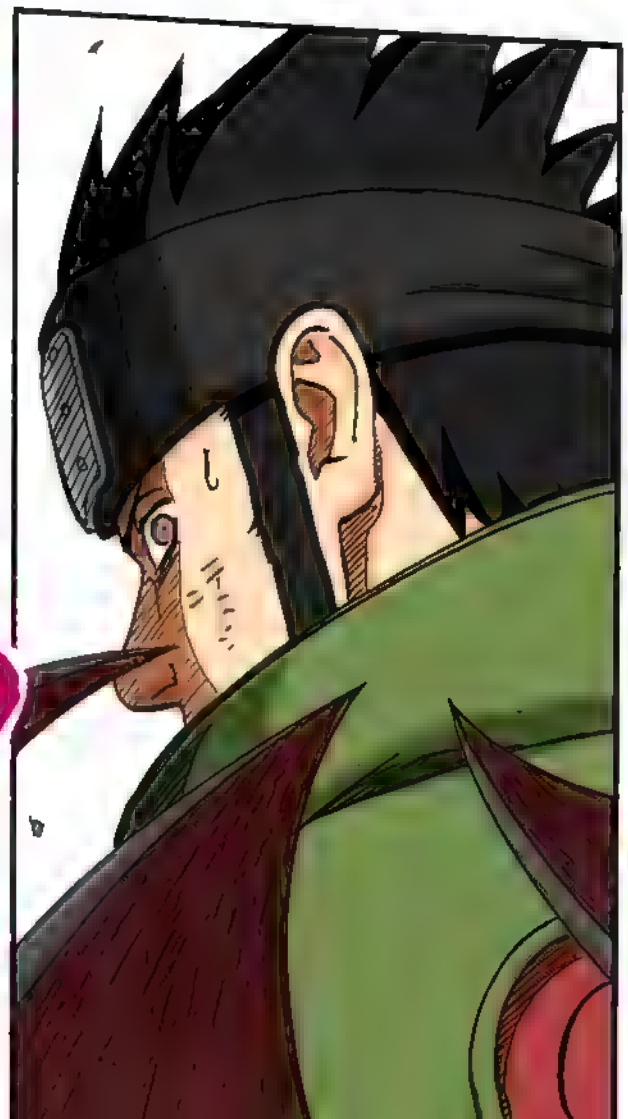

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HOW MANY TIMES YOU THINK I'M GONNA FALL FOR...

GWA-HA HA HA HA!!

HEH HEH...

.....

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AH

GAHHH
...

...ACK!

GNNH

GNNH

NOW, I CAN FINALLY SAVOR IT...

...THE PAIN CAUSED BY YOUR DEATH.

KA-SHINK

THE END.

NO!

GAH!

...CAPTAIN!

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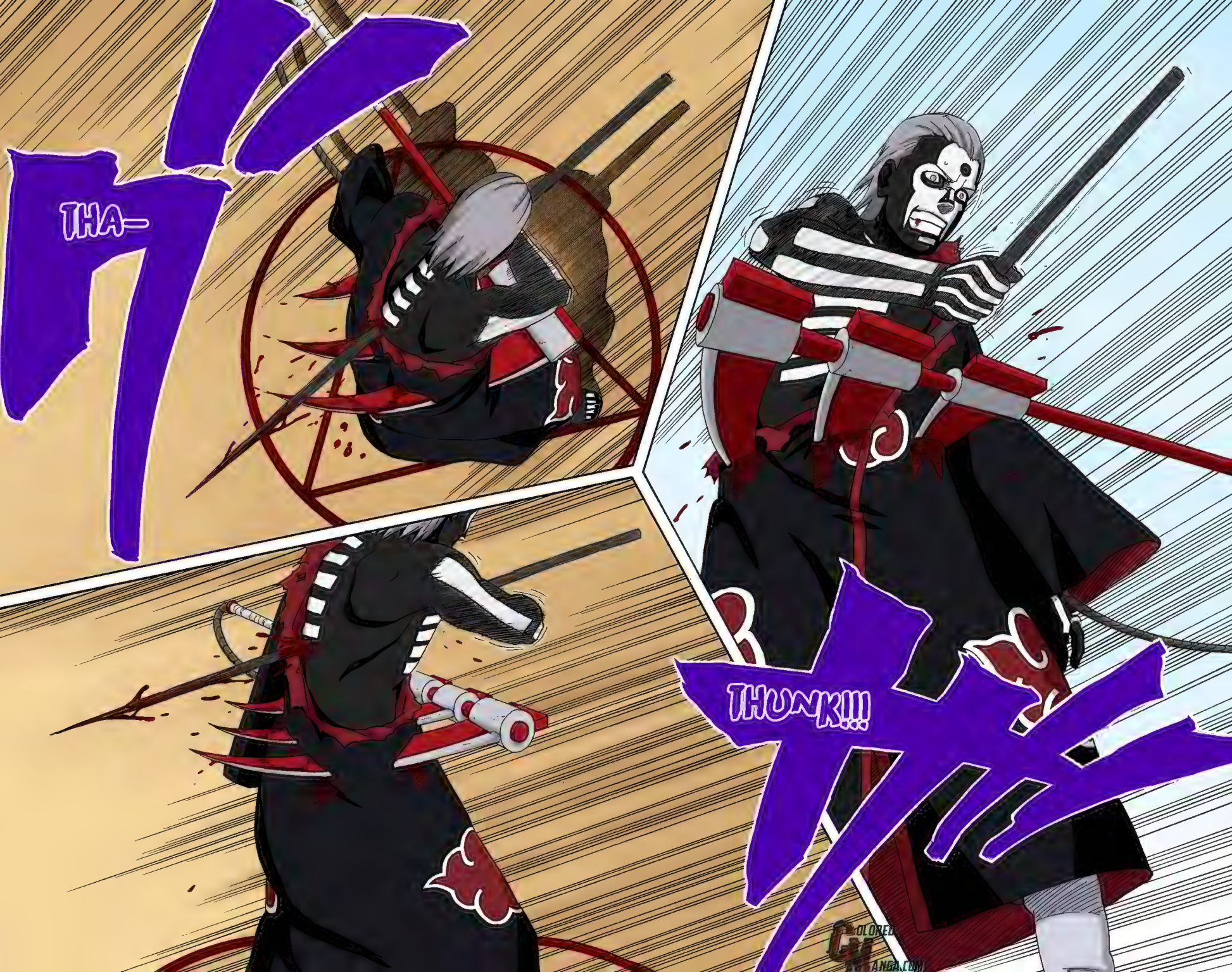
THA—
THUNK!!!

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327: ADMIST DESPAIR...

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POP

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ASUMA...

.....

FUMP

COLORED

OH, YES... THAT'S IT ...THAT'S THE STUFF...

ASUMA!!

COLORED MANGA.COM

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OWW!

TOK

JUST GIVE ME A MINUTE.

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I'M DONE OVER HERE, KAKUZU.

THAP

COLORED MANGA.COM

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UGH...

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YOU!

YOU
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COLORED
MANGA.COM

AHHH!

OOF!

!?

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COLORED
MANGA.COM

FLAP

FLAP

WHAT THE?!

FLAP

A PITIFUL ATTEMPT AT OBFUS-CATION.

FLAP

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SHING...

!

!!

EBONY BLADE!

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NARUTO-MANGA.COM

THUP

GAH!

THUP

SHIKA-MARU, WE'RE HERE TO HELP.

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TAKE SHIKA-MARU SOME-PLACE SAFE.

ABSO-LUTELY!

INO...

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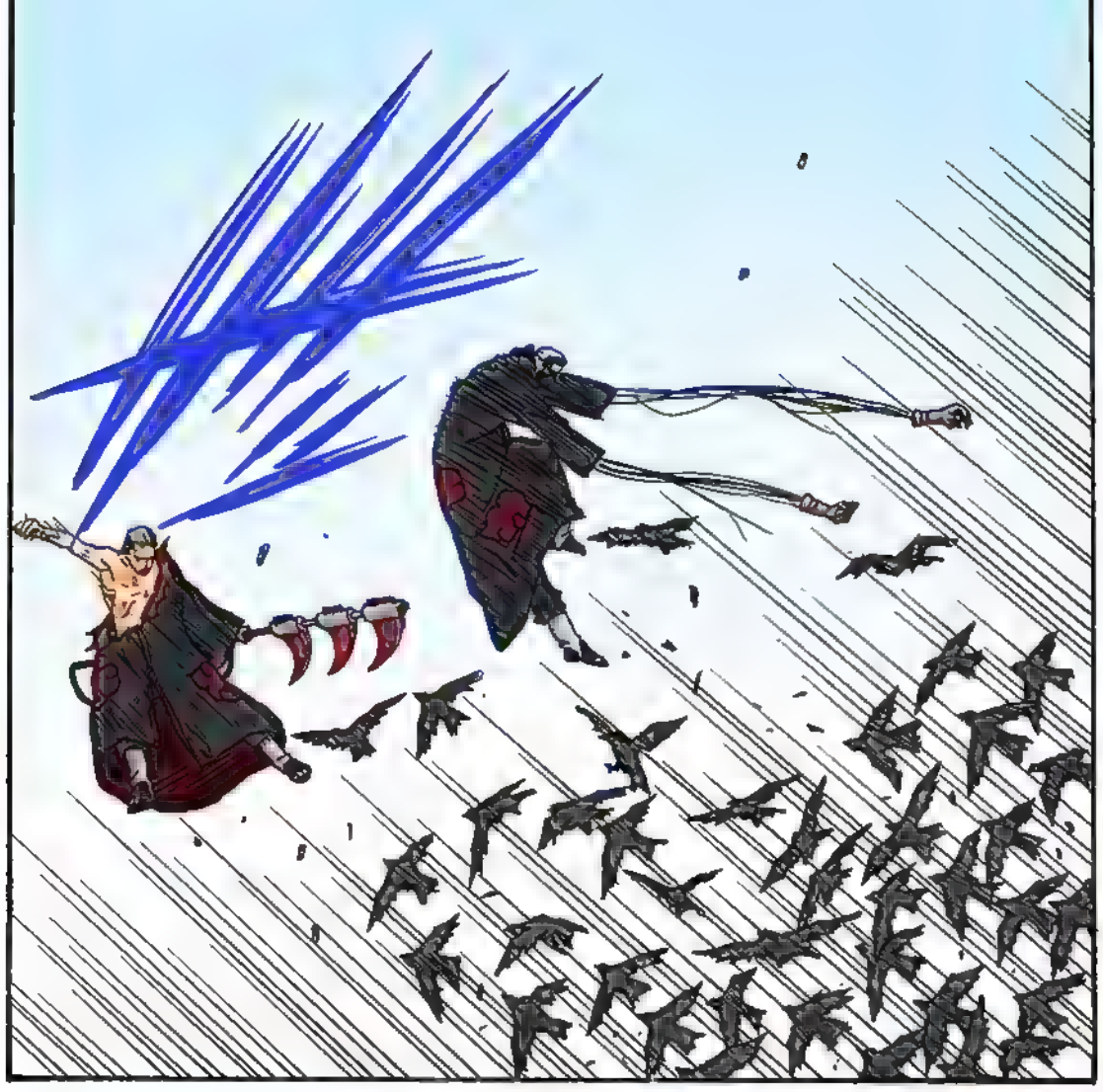

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...YEAH...

BUT WHAT ABOUT...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

ASUMA !!

MASTER ASUMA!!

!

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CHOJI! RUSH MASTER ASUMA TO KONOHA HOSPITAL!!

GO WITH THEM INO! USE YOUR MEDICAL NIN-JUTSU TO BUY AS MUCH TIME AS YOU CAN!

HURRY!!

IT'S FAINT, BUT HIS HEART'S STILL BEATING!

GOT IT!

GOT IT!

YOU CAN'T HAVE THE CASH COW.

!

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NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU RESIST...

...YOU'RE STILL ALL LAMBS FOR MY SLAUGHTER.

GAH...

TAKE ASUMA AND RUN, SHIKA-MARU!

WE'LL KEEP THESE TWO BUSY...

SIR... I ONLY NEED A LITTLE MORE TIME.

WE'RE JUST ABOUT TO GET TO THE GOOD PART...

!

!

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WE'RE SEALING AWAY THREE TAILS... COME IN RIGHT AWAY.

THIS IS TOP PRIORITY.

!?

ENOUGH, HIDAN.

BUT, SIR... CAN'T YOU GIVE US JUST A FEW MORE MINTUES?!

.....

.....

WE'LL BE BACK IN NO TIME, SO PREPARE YOUR-SELVES.

MEH...

HUMPH... SUCH TROUBLE-SOME FELLOWS...

COLORED MANGA.COM

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LET'S GO, HIDAN.

THAT DARN LEADER! ONE OF THESE DAYS, I'M GOING TO PUT A CURSE ON HIM!

328: CELL NUMBER 10

MASTER!

!

MASTER ASUMA!

GAK

WHAT KIND OF STRA-TEGY IS THAT?!

THEY'RE RETREA-TING... TEMPORA-RILY?

BESIDES... HE'S ABOUT TO DIE ANYWAY.

OH NO, YOU DON'T!

YOU STAY PUT UNTIL WE GET BACK!

INO! CHOJI!

LET'S TAKE ASUMA AND GO!!

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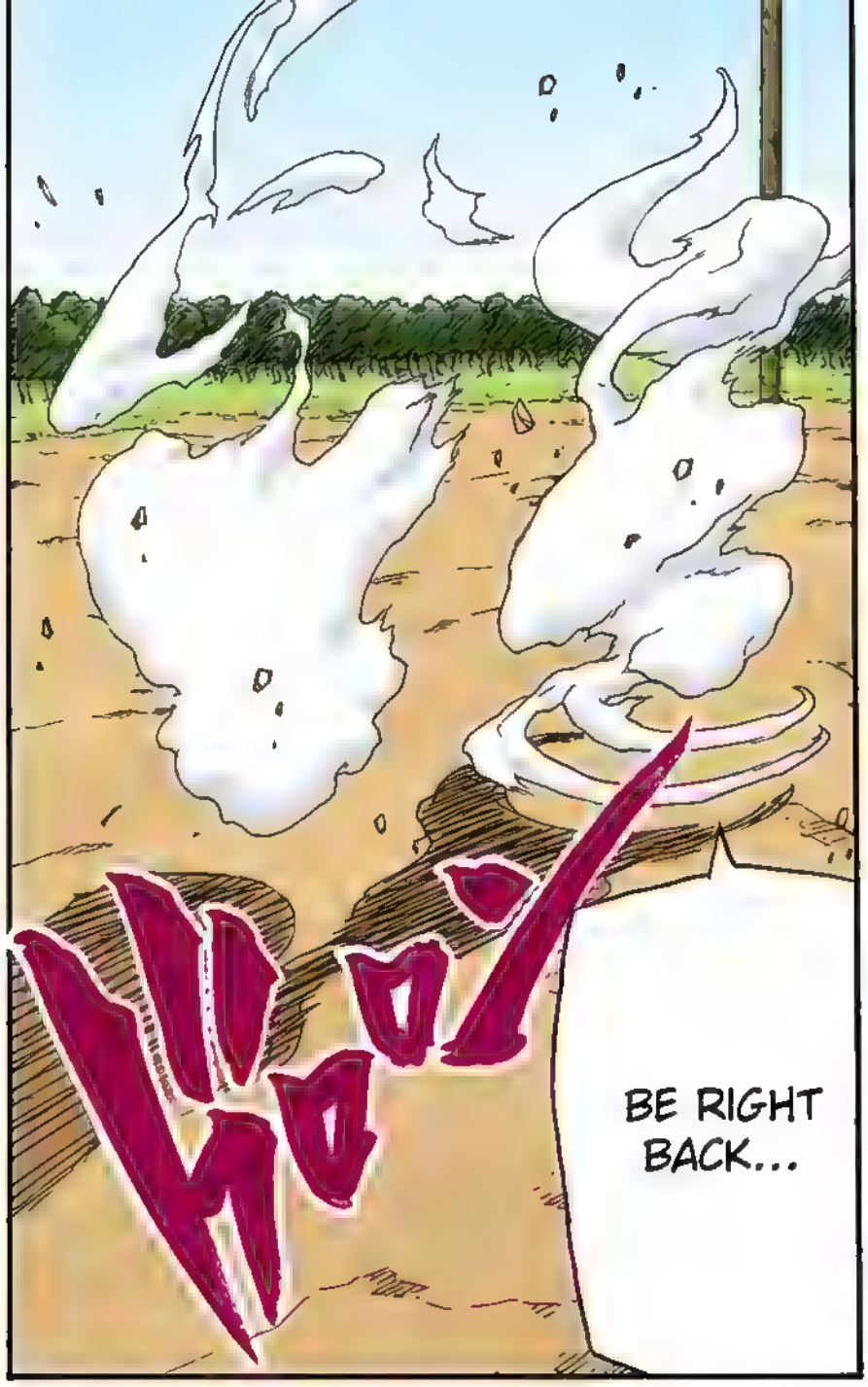

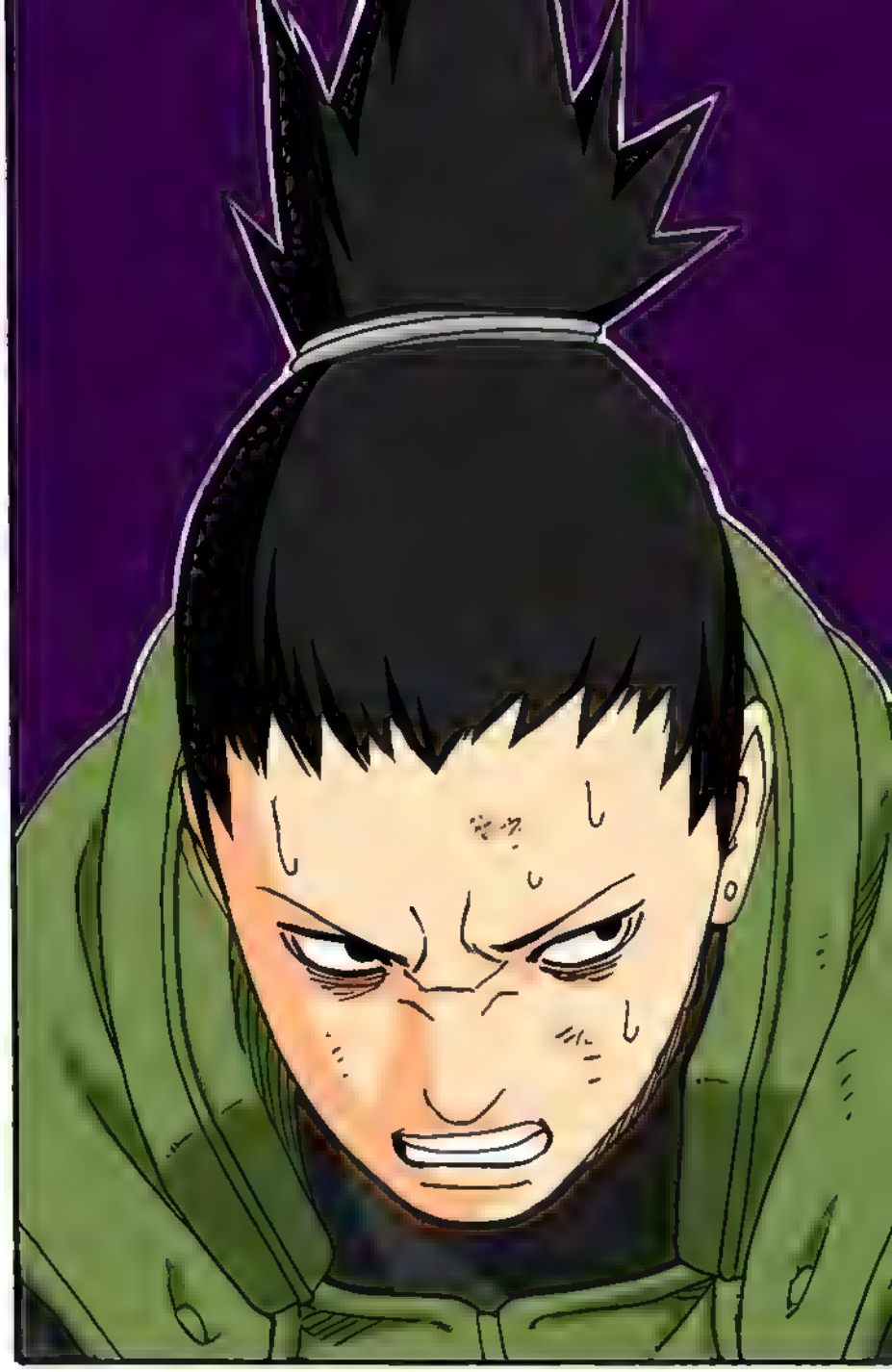

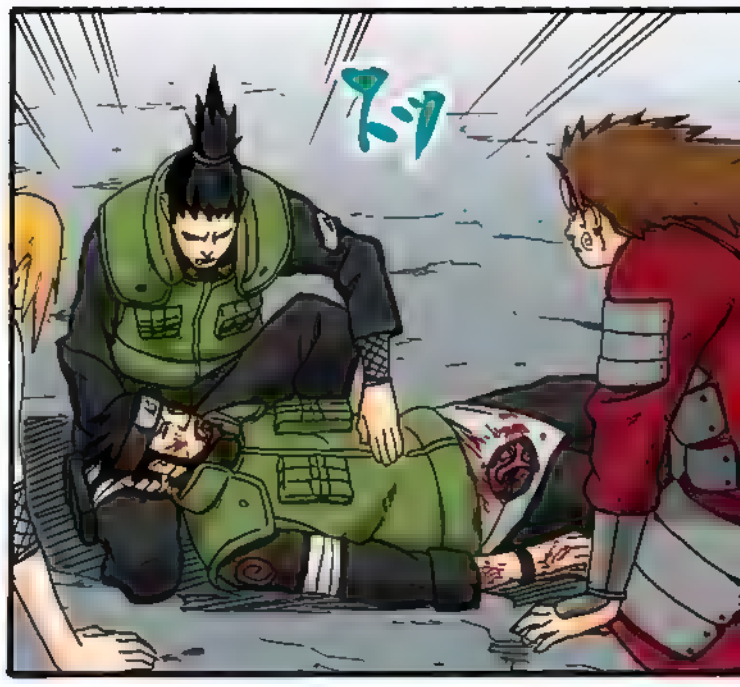

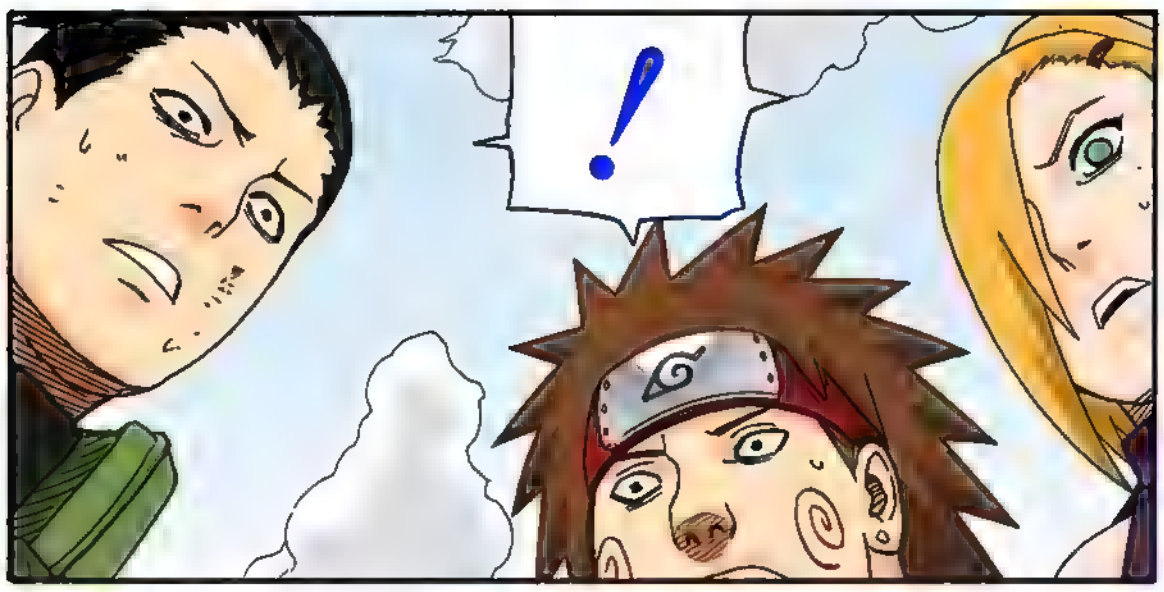

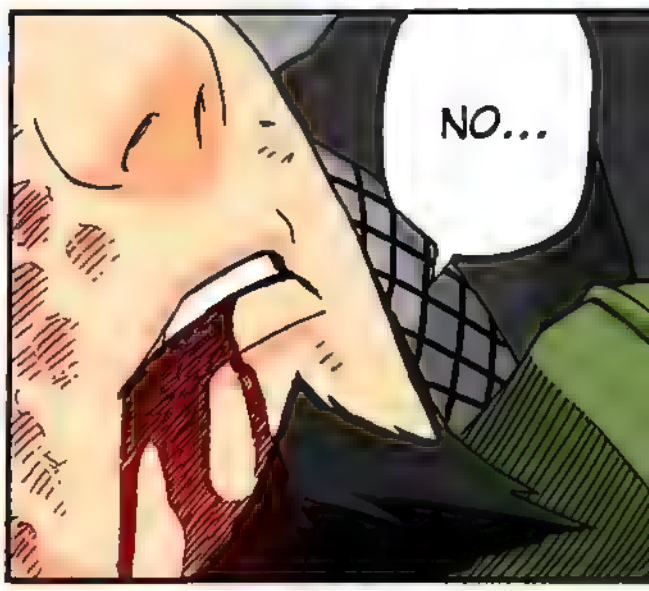

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...I... I WOULDN'T MAKE IT... ANYWAY...

...I CAN FEEL.. IT...

SHUT UP! YOU KEEP QUIET!

I BET YOU KNOW IT TOO...

HEH...

INO...

FOUR VITAL SPOTS...

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IT'S... TOO LATE...

...UNDERSTAND... WHAT THE THIRD HOKAGE MEANT...

I THINK I FINALLY...

I'M... ALWAYS TOO SLOW AT FIGURING THINGS OUT...

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CHOJI!

MASTER, STOP TALKING!

...SOMETHING I WANT TO TELL YOU THREE...

...INO... CHOJI... SHIKA-MARU...

I'VE GOT... *KOFF* ...

...!

INO, YOU TOO...

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.....

...TO MASTER ASUMA'S LAST WORDS.

LISTEN CLOSELY...

INO...

... YES...?

...YES, SIR...

CHOJI AND SHIKAMARU... THEY'RE AWKWARD... CLUMSY...

...YOU WATCH OVER THEM...

YOU MAY BE HEADSTRONG, BUT YOU'RE ALSO A CONSIDERATE CARETAKER...

NO, SIR!

...EITHER IN NINJUTSU... OR IN LOVE...

AND... DON'T YOU EVER LOSE... TO SAKURA...

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...IN TIME, YOU'LL BECOME A STRONGER SHINOBI... THAN EVERYONE ELSE...

...SO BE MORE CONFIDENT... IN YOUR-SELF...

YOU'RE... A THOUGHT-FUL, LOYAL FRIEND... AND A KIND SOUL...

CHOJI ...

IT MIGHT NOT BE POS-SIBLE, BUT I'LL SURE TRY...

...YOU MIGHT WANT TO DROP A FEW POUNDS...

ALSO ...

...GOT IT...

AND FINALLY... SHIKAMA-RU...

HEH...

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...SINCE YOU HATE BEING BOTHERED LIKE THAT...

...THOUGH YOU'D PROBABLY TRY TO AVOID IT...

...*KOFF*...

...TRULY WORTHY OF BECOMING HOKAGE...

...YOU'RE RAZOR-SHARP... WITH THE INSTINCTS OF A GREAT SHINOBI...

...REMEMBER OUR CONVERSATION ABOUT THE KING...?

WHICH REMINDS ME..

...AND NOT ONCE COULD I BEAT YOU...

...ALL THOSE SHOGI GAMES ...

.....

GIVE ME YOUR EAR....

LET ME TELL YOU...

...WHO IT IS...

THEN... DO YOU KNOW WHO THE KING IS?

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ASUMA... YOU...

...THAT'S WHY...

!

BUT... I GUESS... IT'S ALL RIGHT NOW...

...DON'T HAVE TO HOLD OFF SMOKING ANYMORE...

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...SHIKA-MARU...

...I'M COUNTING ON YOU...

...COULD YOU GET ME... ONE LAST CIGARETTE...

...FROM MY POUCH ...?

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KOFF KOFF KOFF

WHOOOSH

I'M ASUMA SARUTOBI, AND I'LL BE LEADING YOU THREE, CELL NUMBER 10.

I'M STRICT, SO YOU BETTER BE PREPARED!

OH! SORRY, SORRY.

THE SMOKE'S STINGING OUR EYES!!

AWW, COME ON, DON'T START CRYING ALREADY.

I'VE ONLY MADE THE THREAT SO FAR.

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...MMPH!

YOU KEEP THIS UP AND YOU'RE GONNA GET FA...

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CHOJI, HAVEN'T YOU EVER HEARD OF HOLDING BACK OR MODESTY...?

WE'VE PAST THE 300 RYO MARK.

BBQ

THAT WAS YUMMY!

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WHAT! HOW'D YOU KNOW?!

GIVE MY REGARDS TO LADY KURENAI!

WHO'S IT FOR?!

ER, NO ONE IN PARTI-CU-LAR...

WHAT A BOTHER... ALL RIGHT, GIVE ME TEN MINUTES.

ALL OF THE RULES ARE EXPLAINED IN HERE.

THE REST, YOU CAN PICK UP THROUGH PLAYING.

YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO WAS PROMOTED FOLLOWING THE TERM'S CHUNIN SELECTION EXAM.

I... I LOST...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO EASY ON ME, MASTER.

INO AND CHOJI...

...IT'LL BE YOUR TURNS NEXT TIME.

AS YOUR TEAM LEADER, I AM ESPECIALLY PROUD OF YOU.

NOW ALL THREE OF YOU ARE CHŪNIN.

GOOD JOB, CHOJI, INO.

DON'T YOU EVER FORGET THAT WE WERE ONCE CELL NUMBER 10!

FROM HERE ON OUT, EACH OF YOU SHALL BECOME CAPTAINS...

...OF YOUR VERY OWN, NEW TEAMS.

AND AS SUCH...

...I AM NO LONGER YOUR LEADER.

THESE EARRINGS ...

...ARE MY PRESENTS TO YOU FOR ACHIEVING CHŪNIN RANK.

TSSS...

MASTER!!

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SOB...
SOB...

PLIP

PLOP

PLOP

SPLASH

IT WAS A SHINOBI WORTHY END...

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SOB

SOB...
SOB..

UGH
...

KOFF

KOFF!

.....

...I
STILL...

...HATE
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I STILL FEEL LIKE HIS SMOKE'S STINGING MY EYES...

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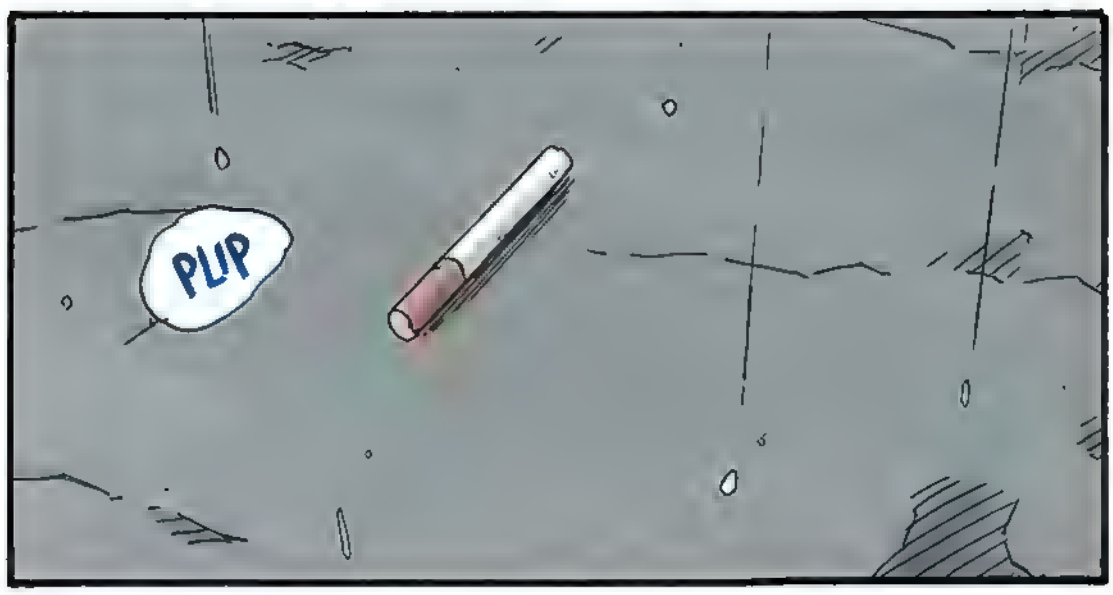
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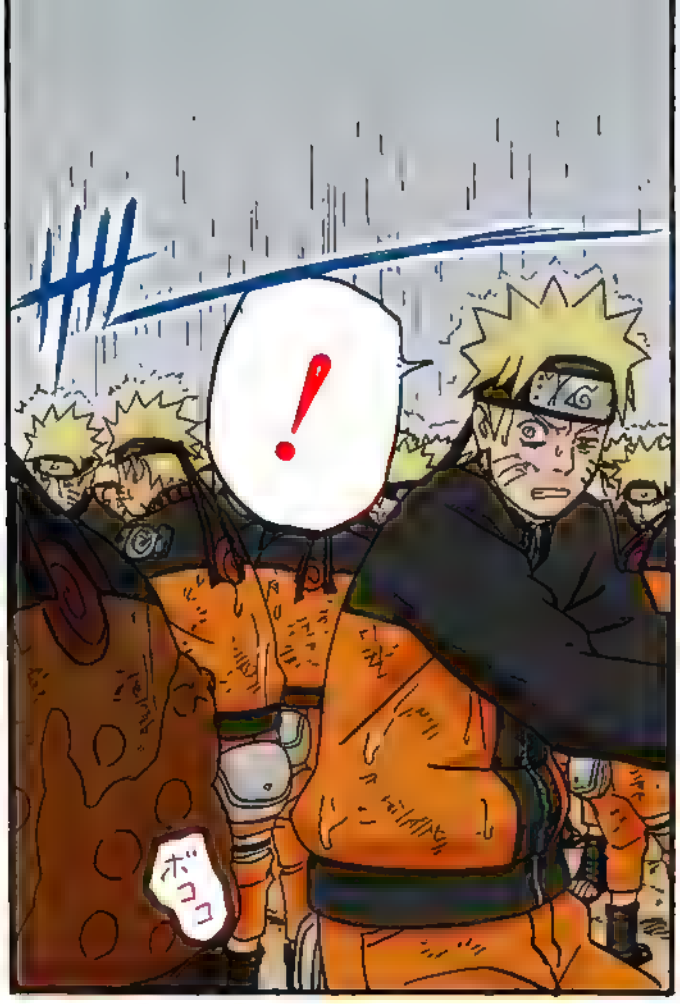

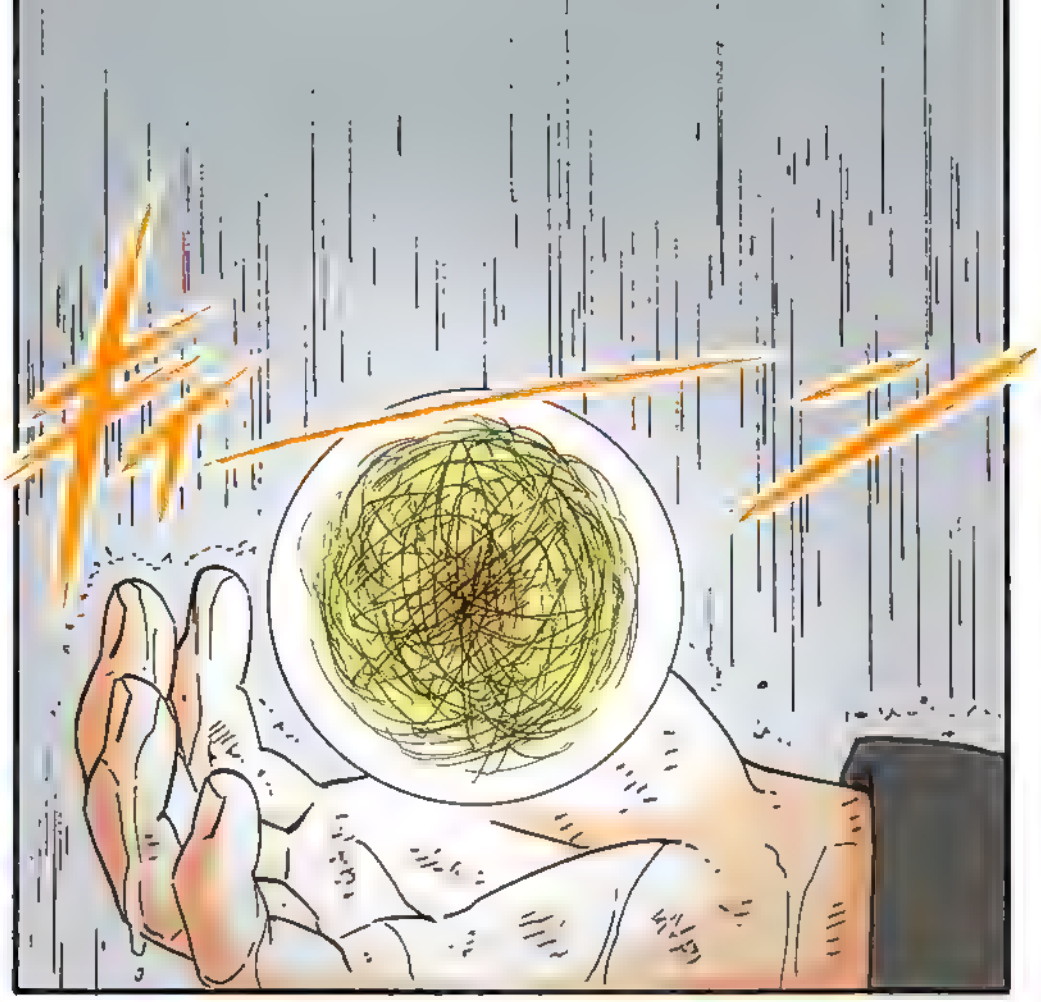

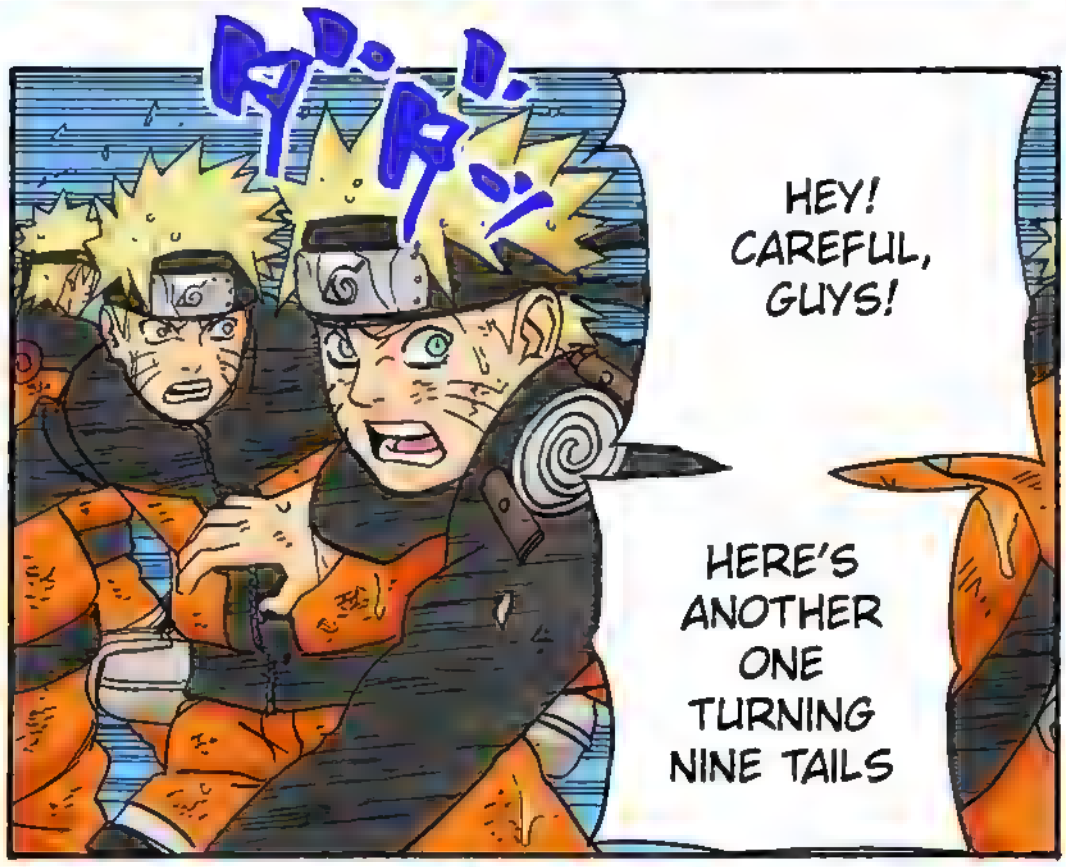

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TENZO, HERE IT COMES AGAIN!

GAH!

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WAH!

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ARGH!

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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

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IN TERMS OF SOLO TRAINING TIME, THAT'S ROUGHLY 9,800 HOURS...

...BUT IT'S STILL NOT ENOUGH, HUH.

...USING ABOUT 200 SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGERS...

IT'S BEEN ONE WHOLE DAY SINCE WE STARTED TRYING TO ADD A WIND CHANGE IN NATURE TO THE RASENGAN...

.....

...ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD ISN'T GOING TO BE ENOUGH.

...I FEEL LIKE...

...THE CHAKRA CONTROL IS SO DIFFICULT...

...I CAN'T MANAGE MORE THAN 200 SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGERS.

BUT MASTER KAKASHI, THIS DRILL...

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SINCE WHEN DO YOU WHINE ABOUT NINJUTSU?

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU.

ARE YOU REALLY UZUMAKI NARUTO?

...TO THEN ADD ON A CHANGE IN NATURE...

...IT'S TOO MUCH ...

IT TAKES SO MUCH FOCUS JUST TO MAKE THE RASENGAN...

DOESN'T MATTER, YOU MUST KEEP AT IT.

...BUT...

...I THINK THIS ONE TIME, IT REALLY IS IMPOSSIBLE ...

.....

FOR SURE, THAT IS IMPOSSI-BLE.

.....!

MASTER KAKASHI, WHAT IF SOMEONE ASKED YOU...

...TO LOOK RIGHT AND LEFT AT THE SAME TIME ?!

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THIS IS CERTAINLY A DIFFICULT TASK... HOWEVER...

I SEE... SO THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT...

!?

HERE'S HOW YOU CAN LOOK TO THE RIGHT-

-WHILE LOOKING TO THE LEFT...

KAGE-BUSHIN NO JUTSU! ART OF THE SHADOW DOPPEL-GANGER!

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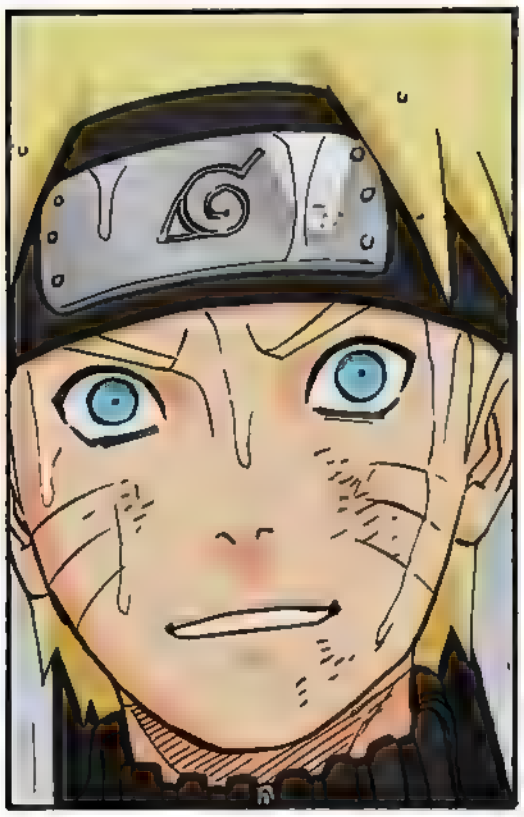

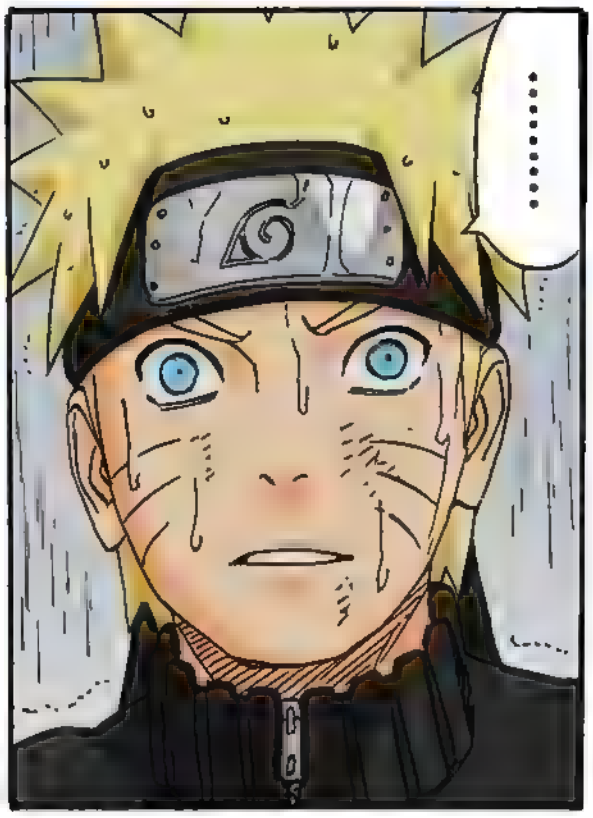

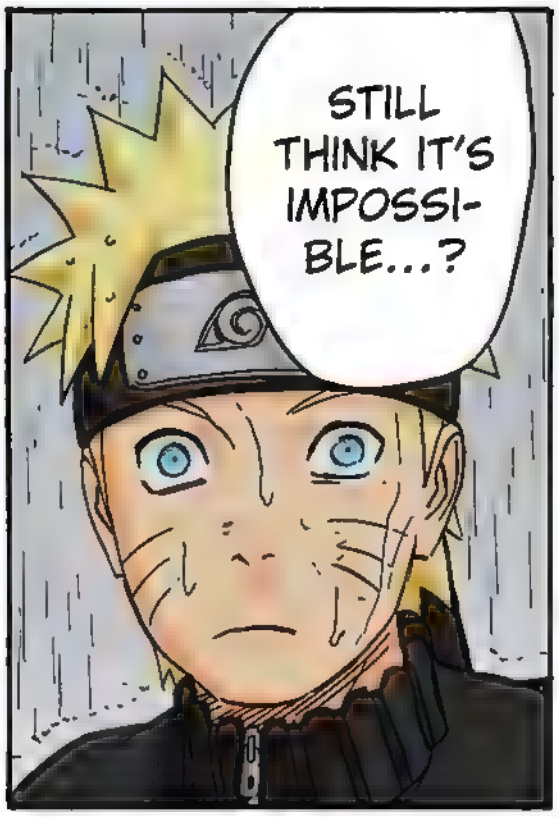

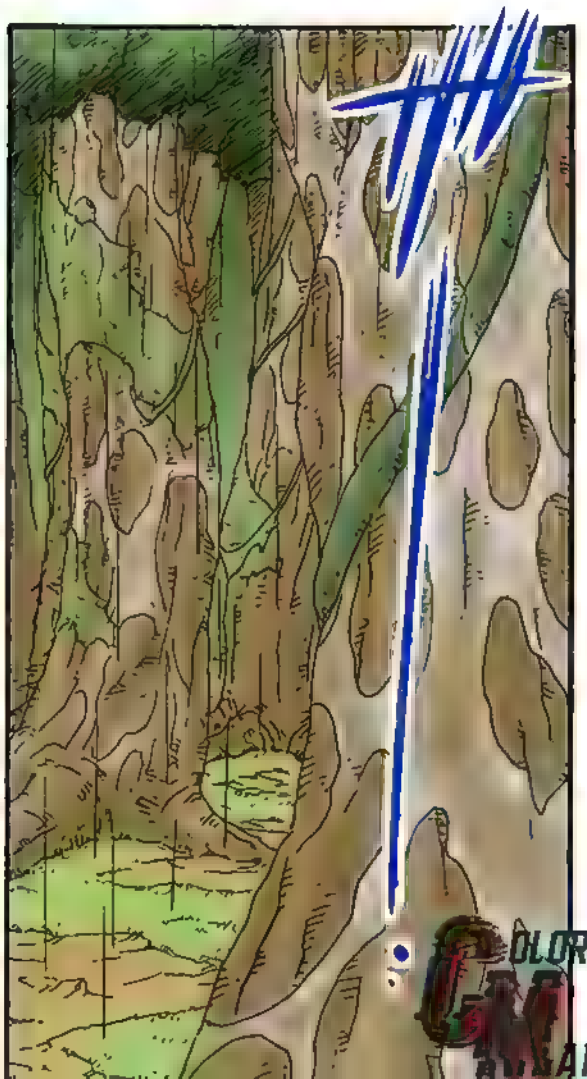

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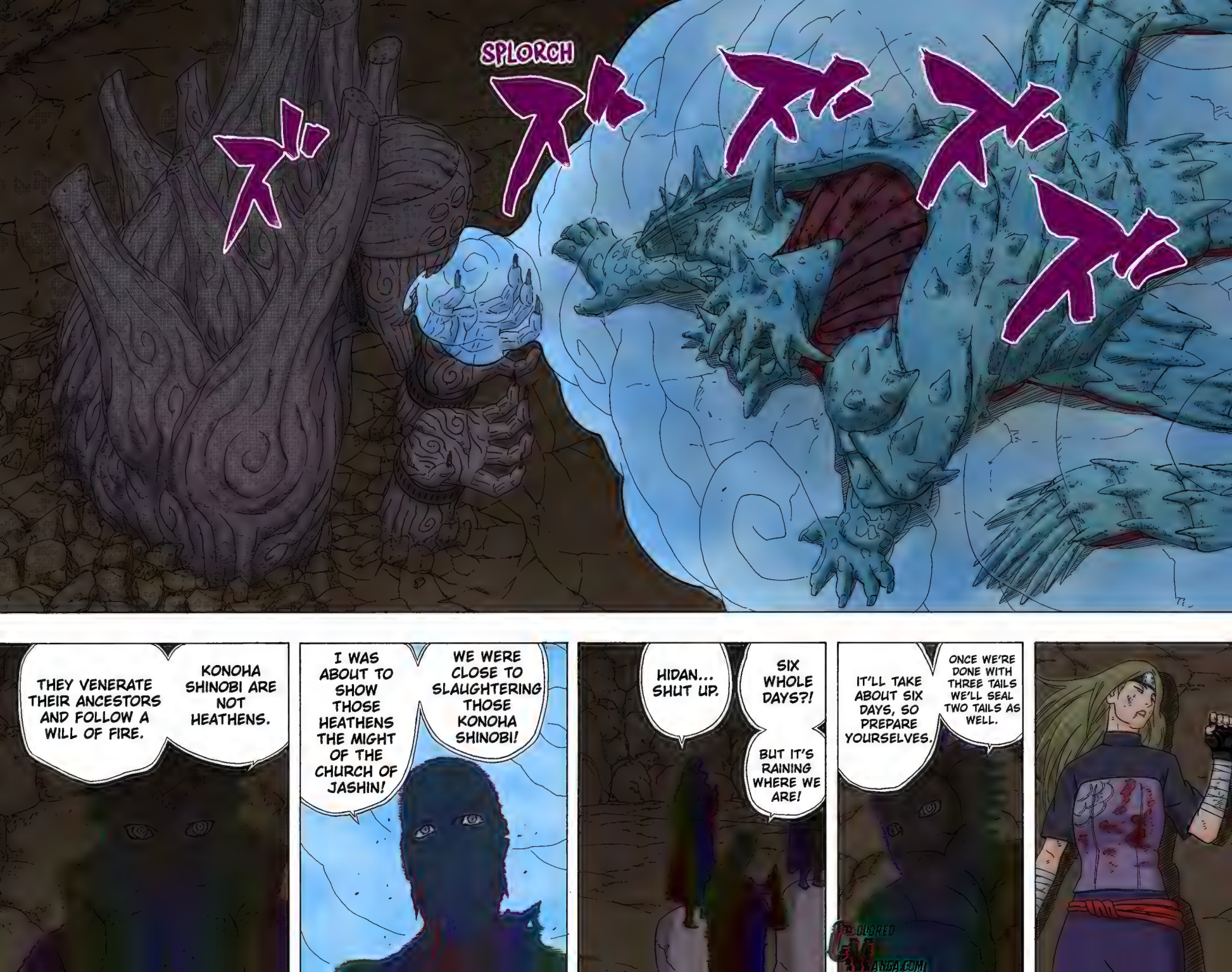
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KONOHA SHINOBI ARE NOT HEATHENS.
THEY VENERATE THEIR ANCESTORS AND FOLLOW A WILL OF FIRE.
WE WERE CLOSE TO SLAUGHTERING THOSE KONOHA SHINOBI!
I WAS ABOUT TO SHOW THOSE HEATHENS THE MIGHT OF THE CHURCH OF JASHIN!
SIX WHOLE DAYS?!
HIDAN... SHUT UP.
BUT IT'S RAINING WHERE WE ARE!
ONCE WE'RE DONE WITH THREE TAILS WE'LL SEAL TWO TAILS AS WELL.
IT'LL TAKE ABOUT SIX DAYS, SO PREPARE YOURSELVES.

HEY... ARE YOU MAKING FUN OF ME?! EH?!

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THOUGH I SUPPOSE YOU COULD SAY THEY USE IT TO JUSTIFY THEIR GOING TO WAR...

NO... I DID NOT INTEND TO RIDICULE YOUR REASON FOR FIGHTING.

AFTER ALL, YOU AND I ARE BIRDS OF A FEATHER...

BUT IN THE END, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT ONE'S REASON IS.

RELIGION, PHILOSOPHY, RAW MATERIALS, LAND, GRIEVANCE, LOVE, WHIM...

...NO MATTER HOW TRIVIAL THE MOTIVE, IT BECOMES THE CAUSE FOR CONFLICT.

NO ONE'S LISTENING TO YOUR LONG-WINDED LECTURE!

I HAVE MY OWN WAY OF DOING THINGS AND MY OWN PERSONAL GOALS.

I DON'T INTEND TO DEVOTE MY ALL TO THIS ORGANIZATION ALL RIGHT!

WARS WILL NEVER DISAPPEAR.

FOR AT THE END OF THE DAY...

...IT IS SIMPLY A PART OF HUMAN NATURE.

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HUMPH... YOU MAY ACT ALL HIGH AND MIGHTY...

...BUT IT APPEARS TO ME THAT THE AKATSUKI'S MOTIVE IS MERELY GREED!

ONCE THEY HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED, I AM SURE YOUR OWN WISHES WILL BE SWIFTLY GRANTED AS WELL.

BUT SO LONG AS YOU ARE A MEMBER OF THE AKATSUKI, YOU WILL CONTRIBUTE TO ITS GOALS.

...BUT THE AKATSUKI'S ULTIMATE GOAL LIES ELSEWHERE.

ITS FULFILLMENT REQUIRES AN INORDINATE AMOUNT OF CAPITAL...

FOR SURE...

...OUR IMMEDIATE GOAL IS MONEY, INDEED...

IN THAT REGARD, YOU'RE THE SAME AS KAKUZU...

...AND THE TYPE THAT I HATE THE MOST!!

MEH ...

THE AKATSUKI'S ULTIMATE GOAL WILL NEED TO BE ACHIEVED IN STEPS.

THERE ARE THREE STEPS IN ALL... MONEY BEING THE FIRST.

HEH, IT'S ABOUT TIME YOU KNEW.

ARE YOU SULK-ING?

JUST FURTIVE WHISPERING WHEN I'M NOT AROUND...

I'M THE SECOND NEWEST MEMBER AFTER TOBI...

...SO I'VE NEVER HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT ANYTHING FROM YOU!

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...HEY, BUT THAT'S JUST LIKE WHAT THE SHINOBI VILLAGES ARE ALREADY DOING.

GETTING PAID TO CARRY OUT MISSIONS AND ALL.

...IS TO USE THAT MONEY TO CREATE...

...THE WORLD'S FIRST MERCENARY SHINOBI ARMY.

THE SECOND STEP...

LET ME EXPLAIN IT FOR YOU IN DETAIL.

HEH...

...IT'S QUITE THE OPPOSITE ACTUALLY...

YOU WANT TO BECOME THE CHIEF OF SOME SMALL VILLAGE THAT DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A HOST NATION TO SUPPORT IT?

HOW ABSURD ...

SHINOBI VILLAGES EARN IMMENSE AMOUNTS OF MONEY BY PARTICIPATING IN CONFLICTS BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE ITS HOST NATION'S BORDERS.

IN SHORT, THEY SUPPORT THAT NATION'S ECONOMY, NOT THE WAY AROUND.

TO A NATION THAT POSSESSES A POWERFUL SHINOBI VILLAGE, SHINOBI BUSINESS...

...PLAYS A KEY ROLE IN THAT NATION'S PROFIT STRUCTURE.

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SO NATIONS HAVE TRIMMED THEIR VILLAGES AND MANY SHINOBI HAVE LOST THEIR JOBS.

HOWEVER, THE CURRENT ERA HAS ONLY SEEN MULTIPLE SMALL CONFLICTS...

...THERE ARE NO MORE GREAT WARS LIKE IN THE PAST.

CONVERSELY, IN ORDER FOR THAT NATION TO HAVE STEADY REVENUE...

...WAR BECOMES A NECESSARY EVIL.

THEY PUT THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE FOR THEIR NATION, AND YET THIS IS HOW THEY'RE REWARDED?

SHINOBI EXIST TO FIGHT.

AND YET, IF ONE TRIMS A VILLAGE TOO MUCH, IT WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RESPOND ADEQUATELY TO A SUDDEN CONFLICT.

IT TAKES AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF MONEY TO MAINTAIN A SHINOBI VILLAGE...

...EVEN IN TIMES OF PEACE...

SMALLER NATIONS, HOWEVER, ARE NOT SO LUCKY.

THE FIVE GREAT SHINOBI NATIONS ARE STILL FINE... BOTH THE VILLAGES AND THEIR HOST NATIONS ARE LARGE AND ARE GREATLY TRUSTED.

THEY RECEIVE MANY COMMISSIONS FROM OTHER NATIONS AND ARE VERY STABLE.

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WE DO NOT ALIGN OURSELVES TO ANY NATION...

...AND WE PREPARE THE NECESSARY NUMBER OF SHINOBI TROOPS FOR THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

THAT'S WHERE WE AKATSUKI COME IN!

...THEN, WE WILL USE THE TAILED BEASTS TO CAUSE NEW WARS ALTOGETHER.

AT FIRST, WE'LL TAKE ON ALL SORTS OF CONFLICTS FOR LITTLE MONEY SO WE CAN EXCLUSIVELY CORNER THE WAR MARKET...

...FROM BOTH SMALL NATIONS AND SMALL SHINOBI VILLAGES ALIKE!

AN ORGANIZATION THAT WILL ACCEPT MONEY FOR CONTRACTS OF WAR.

EVENTUALLY WE'LL BE A MONOPOLY CONTROLLING ALL WARS!

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...SO THAT EVERYONE HAS NO CHOICE BUT TO USE THE AKATSUKI...

AND ONCE WE ARE IN CONTROL, WE CAN DESTROY THE SYSTEM OF SHINOBI VILLAGES, EVEN IN THE GREAT NATIONS...

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...WHICH WILL FINALLY ALLOW US TO ATTAIN OUR TRUE GOAL...

THE THIRD AND FINAL STEP...

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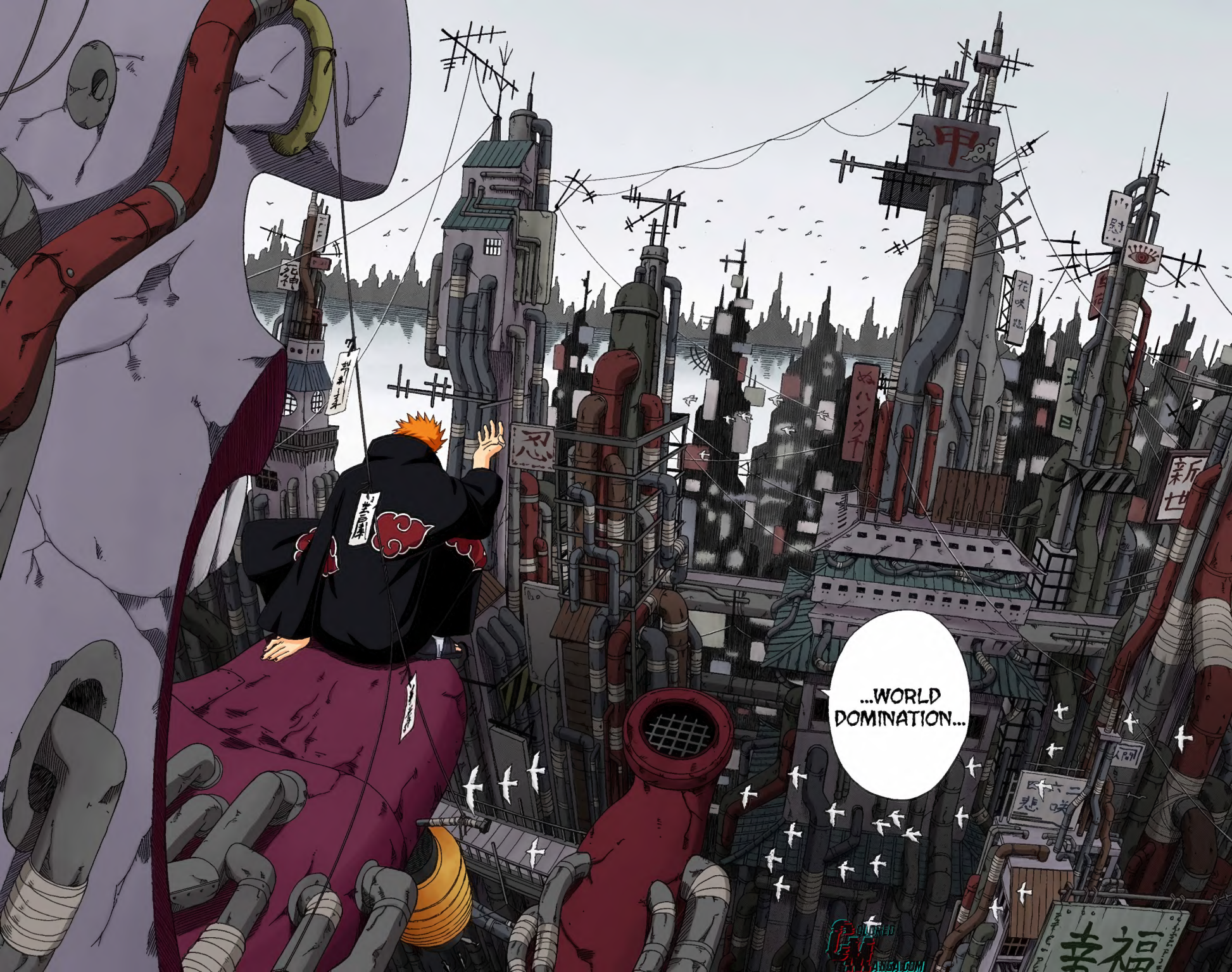
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